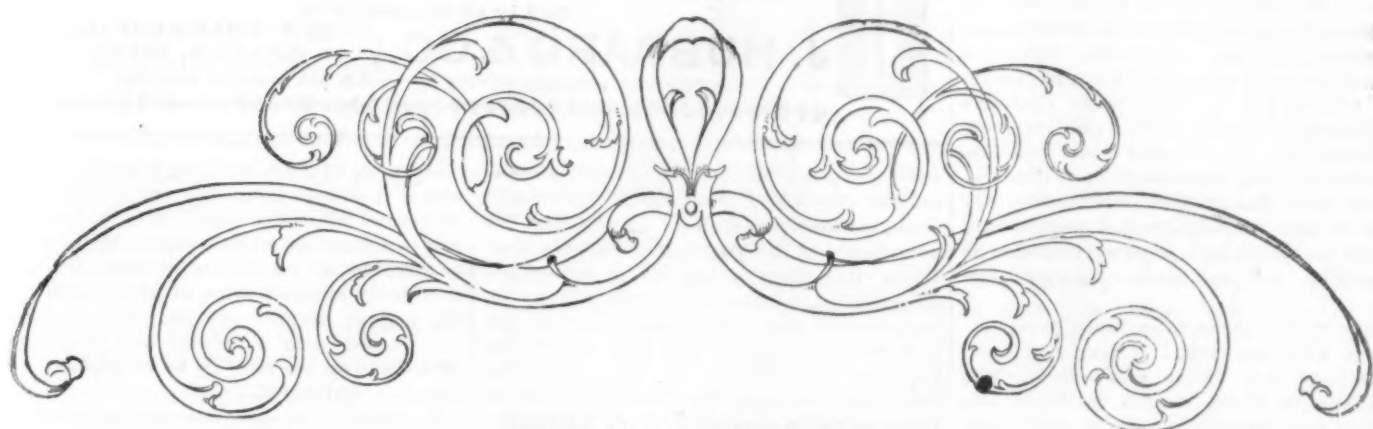


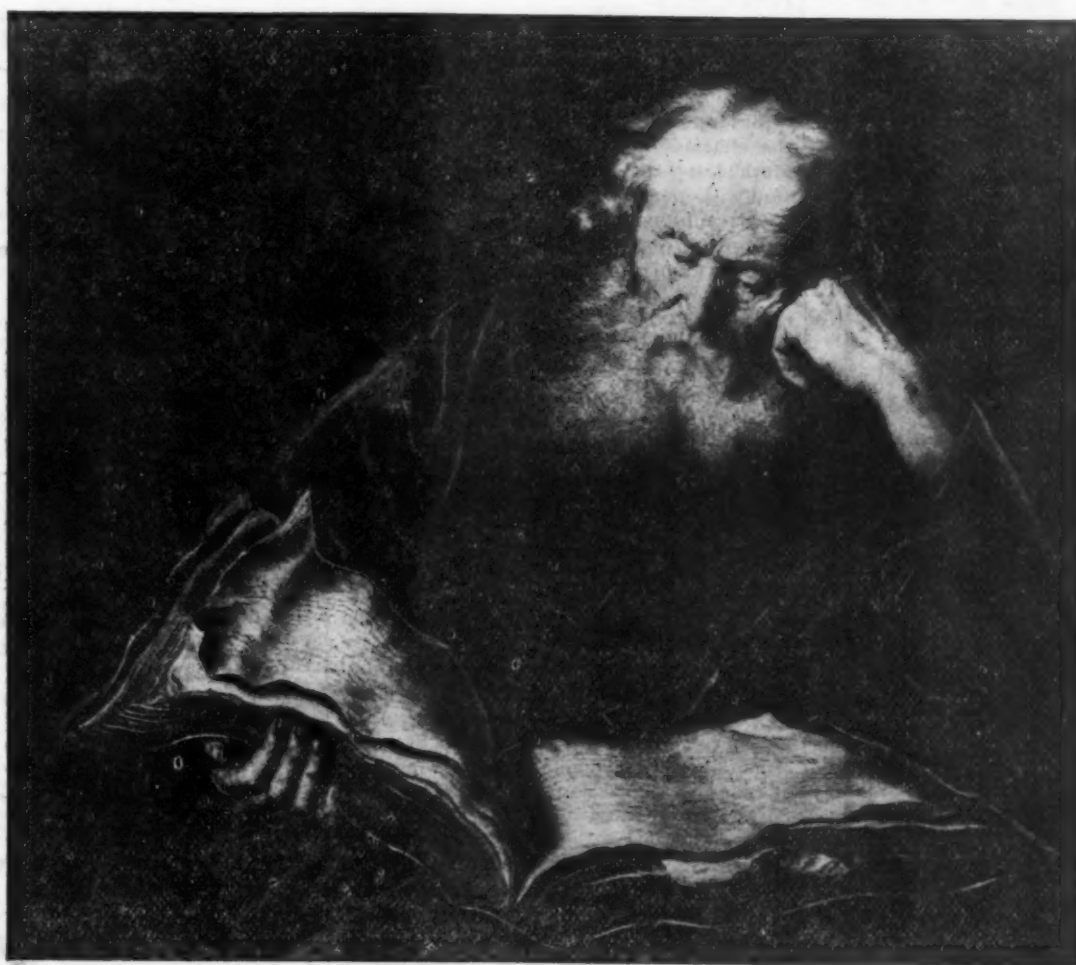


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Is Our Church Doing its Appointed Work in Boston and Vicinity?

THE convention of the Epworth Leagues of Boston District for this year was held in the First Methodist Episcopal Church on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, November 20. It was deemed wise this year to give the convention a different shape from that which ordinarily obtains on such occasions. In reality it took the form of a congress of some of the representative young people of the district, called together to consider the question: "Is the Methodist Episcopal Church doing its appointed work in Boston and vicinity?" In more ways than one the meeting proved a notable and impressive occasion. It revealed what was suspected—a strong undercurrent of dissatisfaction with the present condition of our work in this vicinity, and a tendency to arraign some of our present methods as responsible for our want of greater success.

There was a large attendance both afternoon and evening. Many remained throughout the entire convention. The local League of the church rendered this possible by furnishing supper in the church vestry. The weather was auspicious, and the meeting cannot fail to be a means of closer affiliation among the young people of the district. It ought to be a source of inspiration to all who were so fortunate as to be present.

All the papers and addresses were careful, painstaking utterances of earnest conviction. Some of them were eloquent and



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even dramatic in their outspoken acceptance of views and ideas which well might cause some of the fathers to question the soundness of the rising generation's doctrine. But such a healthy, if somewhat iconoclastic, discussion cannot fail by its very questioning to inspire renewed life and enterprise upon the part of all the churches represented. It is a notorious fact that the Methodist Episcopal Church is not doing its appointed work in Boston and vicinity. Some of the speakers pointed out with unerring accuracy not a few of the causes of this relative failure of our present work.

Among so many utterances, all admirable and suggestive, it would be invidious to select any for special commendation or extended remark. A brief résumé of the topics and speakers will serve to indicate the character of this rather revolutionary Methodist "Congress." The afternoon session was opened by Rev. Dr. George Skene, who conducted the devotional exercises. George W. Taylor, president of the local chapter, gave an interesting address of welcome, to which C. H. Davis, of Tremont St., responded. There was then a report from all the officers of the District League as a forward look for future work. Ten-minute papers then were read as fresh suggestions for service in the various departments of League work; Rev. W. H. Meredith discussed the spiritual topic of "Look Up." Miss Newell read Rev. Walter Morritt's paper on how to emphasize Mercy and Help by lifting up. Mrs. George F. Washburn gave a profoundly suggestive paper on "The Gospel of Welcome." Robert Bruce discussed in an inimitable manner the financial work of a League. Mrs. Dr. Hoffses offered a singularly fresh and beautiful discussion of the topic, "Evangelism by Correspondence." "Books as Life-Teachers" was the literary subject of which Miss Margaret Nichols treated in a paper of rich and varied suggestion. Mr. Henry Hindel sang solos with his accustomed grace and power.

The arena for open discussion was opened by Curtis G. Metzler, who spoke with refreshing frankness on "The Leaguer in Politics." Rev. George F. Durgin discussed in a highly suggestive manner the failure of Methodism to hold her children and her young people. Rev. Dillon Bronson spoke in a breezy and original manner of the work in the suburbs. Rev. L. J. Birney, with felicitous phrase and keen insight, discussed "Wage-Earning Young Men and Women." Rev. Dr. George S. Painter offered an earnest and thoughtful word on "Our Mission to Intelligent and Prosperous People." This address received the compliment of being published nearly in full by the public press.

In the evening Dr. Perrin conducted a consecration service, after which Rev. Charles E. Davis spoke luminously on, "The Down-Town Problem." Music was furnished by Prof. S. J. McWatters, Mrs.

George E. Atwood, and the School of Theology Quartet. Hon. Harvey N. Shepard measured up to his opportunity in discussing the question as to whether Methodism is adapted to modern city life. He undoubtedly startled some of his hearers by his honest, earnest queries. The convention closed with a helpful and inspiring address upon the remedy to be applied, by Rev. Dr. Willard T. Perrin.

Practically the same officers were elected to serve another year, and a missionary committee was elected in addition, with the following members: Rev. Dillon Bronson, Miss Lillian A. Packard, J. A. L. Wallon, C. H. Rice, Miss Cora Robison, Miss May E. Dorr, and Rev. L. J. Birney.

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ORIENTAL TRIBUTES TO AMERICANS

THE consul general at Shanghai has informed the State Department that the organizations of silk, tea and cotton-piece goods dealers have voluntarily contributed to a fund for the erection of a monument in Shanghai in honor of the late President McKinley. It is announced that they are doing this to show their appreciation of the man and of his attitude toward China. Never before has such action been taken by the Chinese people in honor of any foreigner. This unexpected tribute to America brings to mind the action of Japan in erecting a monument in memory of Commodore Perry, the American commander who opened Japan to the world. Not only has Japan perpetuated his name in a monument, but he will also have a foremost place in the official history of the empire about to be written by Dr. G. Mitsukuri, an instructor in the University of Japan at Tokyo. Dr. Mitsukuri has just completed a course of study of the histories of European nations in the universities of Berlin and Paris, undertaken under direction of the educational department of Japan, in order that he might acquire the best methods for the compilation of the annals of his country. While in Chicago recently en route homeward he said it would be his purpose to accord to Commodore Perry and the United States full credit for the regeneration of Japan.

INSURANCE RESERVE FUND TAXABLE

ANOTHER decision designed to reach a class of property that has heretofore escaped taxation has been rendered by an American court. In the first instance it was the supreme court of Illinois that ruled that corporations must pay taxes on franchises and stock. The second case is that of a ruling by Judge Rufus B. Smith, of Cincinnati, Ohio, who holds that the reserve fund of mutual insurance companies is taxable. Hundreds of thousands of dollars will be affected by this decision. The matter came before the court as a test case brought by the county treasurer against the German Mutual Life Insurance Company. There are many companies in Ohio and other States organized on the same plan. They insure

persons and accept premium notes. On these, as they are taken up, there is accumulated a reserve fund, which is never paid out, but which is credited to the policy holders. The reserve fund is used as a basis for the payment of dividends. The only benefit that the holders get from it is in a lower rate on the renewal of insurance. The point in the decision of the court is that a reserve fund, thus created, is not a debt held for the benefit of policyholders, and is therefore taxable. Attorneys say that the decision will without doubt stand the test in the upper courts and place thousands of dollars in the public treasury.

NO COLOR LINE IN HAWAII

IN view of the intense feeling in the United States in certain sections over the question of color, it is interesting to note the odd social conditions that exist in Hawaii. The population is a racial hodge-podge, consisting of whites, Chinese, Japanese, natives and Negroes. The isolated position and the comparatively small number of Caucasians have effectually eliminated all color distinctions and prejudices, so that a mixed company of the different nationalities can be found at the most exclusive social gatherings. The most prominent attorney and the best speaker is a Negro, who is in much demand for public occasions. His color gives him great influence with the natives. Among the very best entertainers are a number of Chinese merchants, citizens and professional men who are quite wealthy and move in the most select circles. Wealthy Japanese are also numerous, and although they seldom entertain, there is no race distinction between them and the other inhabitants of the islands. In Honolulu there are about 10,000 whites, but many of them are transients. The society leaders among the whites are the descendants of the old missionaries, and they mingle freely with the other nationalities in a social way. Mixed marriages still further complicate the question. The Hawaiian, Chinese, American, French, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish, and African nationalities are so intermingled that any attempt to discriminate would result in failure. This mixing of peoples is very interesting, and the anthropologist is apt to wonder whether the final outcome will be degeneracy or progress in the development of the human race.

CONVICTION OF CAPTAIN DIAMOND

A SHORT time before the elections in New York city, Captain Diamond of the police department was arrested on the charge of having willfully neglected to suppress vice in his precinct. The case dragged along through the campaign,

and he was not brought to trial until recently. The accused officer was arraigned before Justice Herrick at Albany. He was found guilty by the jury on the twentieth ballot, and on Wednesday of last week the judge gave him the choice between \$1,000 fine or a year in jail. He paid the fine under protest, and announced his determination to appeal. The leniency of the court is occasioning a great deal of adverse comment. Diamond was clearly guilty of conspicuous neglect of duty, and in the opinion of many should have been sent to the penitentiary along with Detective Bissert. The case of John J. Scannell, the New York fire commissioner and old-time friend of Richard Croker, who was indicted by the grand jury for neglect of duty and conspiracy in the purchase of supplies for the fire department, is still pending, but will probably come to trial soon.

BURIED CITIES OF CENTRAL ASIA

LARGE quantities of sculpture, fresco painting, objects of industrial art, seals, etc., were dug out of the buried temples and houses of Central Asia by the Steyn expedition which recently returned from a visit to that interesting cemetery of a bygone age. The discoveries supply a valuable link in the history of ancient China, India, and the West. Extensive excavations were made in the heart of the desert north of Niya. One settlement was exposed, which, with its scattered dwellings and shrines, covered an area of about twenty-four square miles. Hundreds of documents, beautifully written on wooden tablets and carefully tied and sealed, were found in this city. Owing to the preservative nature of the sand, the writing is still perfectly legible, the ink being as black and the seals and strings as perfect as if they were only a few weeks old. These documents are in a known Indian script, and their translation is expected to reveal fascinating details of the ancient village life. Surrounding many of the sand-buried houses were found carefully-planned little gardens, with avenues of trees, fenced lanes, orchards, etc. Shriveled hedges were brought to light, with heaps of dried leaves, just as they had fallen centuries ago. The trees were mostly poplars, peach, mulberry and apricots. Dr. Steyn is of the opinion that the inhabitants of the villages possessed a culture mainly derived from India, and that they were Buddhists. The character of the discoveries indicates that they were highly advanced, and that they had felt the influence of Greek and Roman art. The reason for the abandonment of the cities is one of the puzzling questions raised by the discoveries. It is attributed to the impossibility of continued irriga-

tion, which caused a steady accumulation of sand under which whole towns now lie buried.

OPENING OF CONGRESS

MASSES of beautiful flowers in both Houses, and the new furnishings of the chambers, were the features that attracted the special attention of members and spectators alike at the opening of Congress on Monday. In the House of Representatives Speaker Henderson was re-elected and sworn in by General Bingham, of Philadelphia, the senior in continuous service. The other transactions were the introduction and swearing in of new members, the re-adoption of the Reed rules, and the assignment of seats by lot. Senator Frye, having been elected president of the Senate at the short term last spring, continues in that office. Senator Allison is head of the Senate "steering committee" to decide what shall be done at this session. The only reference to the death of President McKinley on the opening day was in the prayers of the chaplains. President Roosevelt's message was read on Tuesday. The Hay-Pauncefote Isthmian Canal treaty will be the first matter of supreme importance to come before the Senate.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S first Message to Congress was read to the assembled Houses on Tuesday of this week. It contained about 18,000 words, and dealt with all the vital questions now before the public. It was philosophical and literary rather than routine and statistical. He began with a manly eulogy of President McKinley, followed by an arraignment of anarchy, and recommended that anarchistic immigrants be excluded, that Federal courts be given jurisdiction over crimes against the presidential life, and that international measures against anarchy be formulated. On the supreme matter of tariff revision, or "reciprocity," he took a conservative position, declaring himself as follows:

"Reciprocity must be treated as the hand-maid of protection. Our first duty is to see that the protection granted by the tariff in every case where it is needed is maintained, and that reciprocity be sought for so far as it can safely be done without injury to our home industries. Just how far this is practicable must be determined according to the individual case, remembering always that every application of our tariff policy to meet our shifting national needs, must be conditioned upon the cardinal fact that the duties must never be reduced below the point that will cover the difference between the labor cost here and abroad. The well-being of the wage-earner is a prime consideration of our entire policy of economic legislation."

His position on other issues may be indicated in a sentence: Trust evils must be remedied. Publicity is the first essential, coupled with Federal supervision, even though constitutional amendment be necessary to secure the power. A bureau of commerce and industries should be created to deal with commerce, labor, trusts, and merchant marine. Chinese exclusion should be re-enacted, labor legislation enforced, and stronger immigration laws drawn, that American wage-earners may be protected. Ship subsidies are urged. Foreign favors to shipping must be met, and America's merchant marine restored to the seas. The gold standard must be maintained, banking further safeguarded, currency made more elastic and revenue further reduced, deficits being avoided by

economy. Amendment of the interstate commerce law is urged. Federal attention must be given to forestry and irrigation. Hawaii should be developed on traditional lines as an American Territory. Porto Rico is working out her own salvation. Cuba should be free before the present Congress adjourns. Her unrestricted access to American markets is a moral obligation and to our interest. America's policy is to help the Philippines to self-government. It is time to grant limited franchises for the development of the archipelago's resources and for encouraging the investment of capital. The Government should lay a Pacific cable and build an Isthmian canal. The Monroe Doctrine is reiterated. A strong Navy is earnestly urged. Gunner practice should be unceasing. A national naval reserve should supplement an increased regular force. No Army increase is needed, but further development of the mounted infantry type is recommended. A general staff is favored, and promotion by seniority is attacked, as is political influence in military affairs. The merit system in civil service should be extended at home and rigidly applied in our insular possessions. The consular service, though fairly efficient, might be reorganized on merit to advantage. A new Indian policy, breaking up the tribes and putting the Indian on the same individual footing as the white man, even in citizenship, is urged. The Charleston and St. Louis Expositions are heartily commended to the good-will of the people. The Census office as now constituted should be made a permanent Government bureau. The proceedings of the Pan-American Congress at Mexico City are viewed with lively interest and keen hopes of beneficial results.

In closing, the President referred to President McKinley with these words:

"In the midst of our affliction we reverently thank the Almighty that we are a peace with the nations of mankind; and we firmly intend that our policy shall be such as to continue unbroken these international relations of mutual respect and good-will."

PHILIPPINES DOMESTIC TERRITORY

ON Monday the United States Supreme Court handed down a decision to the effect that the Philippines became domestic territory of the United States in 1898, by virtue of the purchase from Spain, and that in the absence of Philippine tariff legislation by Congress, no duties are collectable on goods imported from the islands into the United States. The matter came before the court on a writ of error in the case of E. J. Pepke, in the United States District Court for the northern district of Illinois. While serving as a soldier in the Philippines, Pepke bought fourteen diamond rings, which were seized for duty when he returned to this country. Chief Justice Fuller read the opinion, the dissenters being Justices Gray, Shiras, White, and McKenna. Under this decision the Government will be required to refund about \$750,000, provided all the importers have taken the preliminary steps for the recovery of the same. The right of the President to levy duties on goods imported into the Philippine Islands is not affected by this ruling. The court also handed down a decision through Justice Brown, sustaining the Foraker act relating to Porto Rico, and holding in the Dooley case that the duties levied on goods imported from New York into Porto Rico were legal because they were for the benefit of Porto Ricans, and

of the nature of a local tax. Chief Justice Fuller and Justices Brewer, Harlan, and Peckham united in a dissenting opinion in this case, their position being that Congress cannot levy tariff duties on articles exported from one State to another.

GOVERNOR OF OKLAHOMA REMOVED

IN harmony with his determination to promote integrity in public office, President Roosevelt, on Saturday of last week, removed W. M. Jenkins, governor of Oklahoma, and appointed Thomas B. Ferguson in his place. Mr. Jenkins was ousted because of his improper connection with a contract between the Territory and the Oklahoma Sanitarium Company for taking care of the insane of the Territory. It appears that, as consideration for his approval of the contract, \$10,000 of the company's stock was placed in a bank subject to his order, and was later turned over to certain political friends whom the governor desired to reward. The new governor is an editor of a newspaper at Watonga, and has resided in Oklahoma since 1880.

SURRENDER OF COLON BY LIBERALS

FOR over a week the Liberals held possession of Colon in Colombia. Government troops gathered in such force that an engagement would have ended in crushing defeat to the rebels. On Thursday Captain Perry of the "Iowa" arranged for the surrender of the Liberals, and on Friday, in the presence of Captain Perry, the American, British and French consuls and U. S. marines, the Liberals laid down their arms, and the city was turned over to General Alban, representing the government. The terms were that General Alban should guarantee life and liberty to all the men recently identified with the rebellion. Although there is still some desultory fighting the government is in the ascendancy, and the end of the rebellion appears to be near. No international complications will result from the action of Commander Perry in arranging for the surrender of Colon, although European powers have warships in Isthmian waters and are watching developments very closely.

NEW POLICE COMMISSIONER

IT is already known who will succeed Murphy as police commissioner of New York city. Mayor-elect Seth Low has announced his intention to appoint Colonel John N. Partridge, now State superintendent of public works, to that office. The selection is said to be satisfactory to the leaders of the fusion forces. Colonel Partridge was commissioner of police and president of the excise board in Brooklyn in 1884 and 1885 when Mr. Low was mayor. Aside from his official positions he has been identified with the street railway interests of Brooklyn for a number of years. He has had military experience, and the expectation is that he will reorganize the police department on a military basis. The selection of a deputy commissioner to take the place of Devery and become virtually the chief of police, will now be awaited with considerable interest.

SOME TENDENCIES IN CURRENT LITERATURE

THE literary output in America, during the year that is now closing, reveals some pronounced and encouraging tendencies. Foremost among them, perhaps, we should count the impulse to better, more painstaking and more earnest work in fiction. While it is true that, more and more, fiction gains upon other forms of writing in popularity, and therefore in quantity, the fact is gratefully recognized that fiction is also gaining somewhat in quality. The advent of the modern historical novel has unquestionably done much to raise the plane of American fiction. It has introduced characters of more dignity, beauty and moral elevation than those of the superseded society novel or "slum study." It has essayed, with quite remarkable success, a style of writing more or less archaic, chaste, and yet suffused with imaginative color. It has dealt, in the main, with periods and events of interest and importance. In a word, it has restored to contemporary fiction somewhat of that redeeming idealism of which it had been almost shorn by the school of decadent realists. The result has been growing more and more evident from year to year—a new uplifting and dignifying of the American novel has come to pass.

During the past year a greater number of really meritorious and earnestly-wrought novels have been given to the public than for several years hitherto; and, while it cannot be said that all of the best, or perhaps most of the best, have been of the historical school, yet the methods of that school have so impressed themselves upon our younger writers that better and more honest work is being done in every class of fiction. The insipid, vapid, characterless society novel, and the crude, offensive, realistic study of unlovely phases of human life, are fast being supplanted by the virile and wholesome historical novel, and the conscientious portrayal of nobler and more rugged types of American character.

Another decided and hopeful tendency in current American literature is the strong trend toward the study and depiction of Nature. Nothing could be more gratifying than the keen and increasing love of outdoor life by our people; and it is natural that outdoor books should multiply, in order to give expression to this healthy passion. The present year has seen nearly a score of new books devoted to Nature-study; and their sale has been such as to warrant publishers in encouraging this class of writing. Indeed, there is so generous a demand for outdoor books that a prominent firm of American publishers characterizes its latest issue in this class as "the most called-for book of the season." It will be readily seen how popular such writing must be, when a literary reputation like Mr. Seton-Thompson's can be made, in so short a time, by this class of work alone.

Still another gratifying tendency, exemplified by the books of the year, is the increasing amount of good, serious, artistic verse that is being published and read. Stedman's "Anthology," for instance, has been a surprise to the librarians. The call for it has been wholly unexpected.

Everywhere the book is in demand, and one hears it constantly referred to. The writer tried for weeks to obtain the "Anthology" from a Boston suburban library, and finally gave up the attempt as useless. This shows that the people are reading the best American verse, and are ready for more of it—the very best. The sale of Mr. William Vaughn Moody's Poems, published by Houghton & Mifflin, proves that verse of a high order of excellence no longer goes begging an audience. Three or four volumes of American verse, published during the present year, have reached a circulation rivaling that of the best novels. This is a fact of which we must rightly be, not only glad, but proud. It heralds a day of new dignity for American literature.

In view of these reassuring tendencies, we may justly rejoice in the combined achievements of our writers and publishers for the year 1901. The list of publications for the year is something enormous; and yet the number of volumes which one would wish to weed out, and which time will soon consign to oblivion, is less than for many years past. On the whole, the output of American books for the year is one of which we need not be ashamed; and the character of this year's literature makes the outlook for the future seem full of hope and promise.

THE CHARM OF OLD BOOKS

IN an age like the present, when the world is being almost daily flooded with more new books than people could possibly read if they should give their whole time to the thankless task, it may well seem to some of us a relief to let this whole ocean of contemporary literature roll on its sounding way, and turn aside to some quiet nook where we can be alone with one or two old books—old as the days when inspiration meant the talking of man face to face with God. Not that we should neglect the new books altogether, for there are ever fresh voices with something vital to say; but now and then, as a change, a refreshment, an inspiration, is it not well to turn from these aerated elixirs of the hour to taste the mellow, ripened fruit of old books?

The most obvious charm of old books is something as indefinable as the perfume of the air or the soil. Quite aside from any perceptible literary quality, there is something in almost every time-stained volume that is winning and seductive. Even an old geography, printed in the fourteenth century, endears itself to the true book-lover more than the freshest production of the lightning press and the bookbinder's elaborate dies. Age, pure and simple, is the first and most obvious charm of old books.

Then that atmosphere of another age, breathed from an old book—how it seizes the fancy and the imagination! The diction, so classic, so literal, idiomatic, so transparently pure; the turns of expression, revealing so much, as Archbishop Trench has shown, of crystallized history; the persons and events, so picturesque, so romantic—all these things take us, not only out of ourselves, but out of our own age and environment, and so constitute a charm of magical potency.

And if the old book be a classic too, as

is most likely to be the case, there is the supreme charm of immortal genius and art. We do not know how long the modern book, for which we may have a sincere admiration, is destined to endure. But here is a book that has stood the final test of time—a very Gibraltar of literature, as secure against all future tides or storms of human opinion as a rock whose foundations are the ribs of the world. Here is, unquestionably, one of the sublime achievements of the human mind. What modern book offers such a fascination as that? The modern book may be destined to enduring fame, but it has not yet received the stamp of immortality. The classic has that divine *imprimatur*. Hence its supreme charm.

A few choice old books transform a library from a workshop into a temple. Their presence is the evidence of culture, refinement, true literary feeling. Their corner is the sacred corner. The hours spent with these are "holy and remote." Happy is he who has time and inclination to steep his soul, now and again, in an old book. It will transport him into another world; it may lift him to a higher plane of thought and feeling.

SUNDAY SALOONS PRO AND CON

THE advocates of Sunday saloons, whether direct or under the plea for "home rule" in New York city, are making such misleading representations in order to influence public opinion, that their work might deservedly fall under a charge of "false pretenses." The claim is persistently made by reputable daily papers that the religious press and many clergymen are in favor of the open saloon on Sunday—or its equivalent, home rule—so far as New York city is concerned. So general and persistent is this contention that we are moved to state the simple facts in the case.

First, we group the facts, as we understand them, concerning the attitude of the religious press, and, if in any instance we are in error, we shall hasten to make correction, if so advised. The *Independent* of New York has been quoted in favor of the Sunday saloon in that city because of the following editorial paragraph: "We wish the people were educated up to the plan of suppressing the saloon seven days in the week; but if we cannot do that, we would allow it to be open at the hours on Sunday when it is most wanted, and then closed at other hours to allow rest to its bartenders. We would at least get rid of the shocking evils that have grown out of the well-meant Raines Law." The *Outlook* of New York has, from the first, approved of a change in the Excise Law, which would allow the open saloon on Sunday, and later has plead for home rule in the city, which, as we have said, means the same thing. The *Watchman* of this city, in two issues, has advocated local option or home rule for New York city. The *Congregationalist* has taken practically the same position upon the question as the *Watchman*. These four are the only religious journals of the many in this country—so far as we have observed—that have taken this attitude toward the problem. The Roman Catholic papers, so far as we know, are against the proposition; the press of the Protestant

Episcopal Church, of the great Baptist Church (with the single exception noted), of the Congregational denomination (with the one exception), every Methodist paper, and every organ of every other religious body, so far as we have seen, are a unit against the proposition for any form of the Sunday saloon. It will be seen from these significant facts how little basis there is for claiming the support of the religious press for the iniquitous scheme.

Relatively the assumption that a goodly number of ministers support it is equally fictitious and false. It is necessary to refer to persons by name here, in order to state the facts in the case, though we should much prefer not to do so. Dr. C. H. Parkhurst of New York, with characteristic frankness and vigor, does support the Sunday saloon. It is enough to say that he has grievously disappointed us in the position which he has taken, and we are wholly unable to explain it; but we do not know of another Presbyterian minister who agrees with him. It is true that Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage, of New York, always an extremist in his devotion to the idea of personal liberty, favors the Sunday saloon; but we have not, at this writing, noted any Unitarian minister who agrees with him. New York daily papers have exploited the names, we believe, of two Jewish rabbis who demand a free Sunday for the Hebrews in New York. The venerable Bishop Doane resigns his position as president of the Church Temperance Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church because the organization declares its emphatic opposition to Sunday opening. Bishop Potter is quoted by a New York paper as replying, when asked by a reporter if he favored the repeal of the Raines Law, as follows: "I should say that the answer for the present to your question is local option. I do not believe in running the city of New York with hayseed for brains." It may be that a half-dozen other clergymen of that church are in sympathy with the views of Bishops Doane and Potter, but we could not name them. The fact that the recent General Protestant Episcopal Convention held at San Francisco took advanced ground in advocating temperance reform, is significant in this connection. So far as we have observed, no stationed Congregational minister has spoken in favor of the Sunday saloon. We have yet to see that a single stationed Baptist minister approves the scheme. We speak with authority in saying that the Methodist ministry as a unit will forever oppose it. We are greatly gratified to report that Roman Catholic priests, as a body, are against it. The triennial diocesan synod of the Roman Catholic clergy was held last week in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York city. There were more than five hundred priests present, representing the 320 parishes in the archdiocese, the attendance being greater than on any previous similar occasion. It is as refreshing as it is prophetically significant that Archbishop Corrigan, in delivering his triennial allocution, strongly exhorted his priests to stand for the strict preservation of the sanctity of Sunday, and said: "Here we want no Continental Sunday. In order to cultivate the spirit of religion, it is necessary that Sunday should

not be given over to drinking, and that the laws for the preservation of the quiet of Sunday should not be changed."

Possibly two in every one hundred religious papers, but not one in a thousand clergymen, have advocated the Sunday saloon. Thus we see how specious, misleading and false are the claims which are being put forth in favor of the open saloon on Sunday, and also how utterly groundless is the claim that such action is going to be taken by the legislature of the State of New York. No movement that cannot carry the Baptist, the Roman Catholic, and the Methodist Episcopal Churches, can succeed with the legislature of any commonwealth in this land. And when these three great bodies unite, as they now do, against the proposition for the Sunday saloon, it is doomed in advance. While there is reason for alertness and earnest agitation, there is the best reason, also, for abiding confidence. The Sunday saloon, with its advocates, will speedily go down under the pressure of these great religious and moral forces which are combined against it.

Clement Studebaker Dead

THE Hon. Clement Studebaker, known the wide world around as the head of the immense carriage manufactory at South Bend, Ind., died, Nov. 27. His name on street sprinklers seen in almost every city has made his business reputation familiar to the multitude. He had been unconscious



THE LATE HON. CLEMENT STUDEBAKER

for several days, and continued so to the end. His career as a poor boy of worthy parents is romantic, and reveals anew the unparalleled possibilities which this country presents to young men who have the spirit and determination to win success at all hazards.

He was born in Adams County, Pa., March 12, 1831. When he was four years old his family moved by wagon to Wayne (now Ashland) County, Ohio. His father, John Studebaker, was a blacksmith and wagon maker. In 1850 Clement Studebaker moved to South Bend, where he taught school in the winter of 1850-'51. The next spring he secured employment in the blacksmith department of a company manufacturing threshing machines, receiving his board and fifty cents a day. When he first reached South Bend his cash capital amounted to \$2. By careful saving, in February, 1852, he was able to start in the

blacksmith business with an older brother, Henry, their stock consisting of two sets of blacksmith tools and \$68 in cash. A Government contract for a hundred wagons was secured and was executed to the entire satisfaction of the Government. This gave the young firm a start, and from that it grew to its present large proportions. In 1868 the company was incorporated as the Studebaker Brothers' Manufacturing Company, with Clement Studebaker as president, which position he continued to hold.

Mr. Studebaker was twice a lay delegate to the General Conference, twice a delegate to national Republican conventions, United States Commissioner for Indiana to the Paris Exposition of 1878, also to the New Orleans Exposition, president of the Indiana Board of World's Fair Managers, a member of the Carriage Builders' National Association from its organization and at one time its president, was appointed by President Harrison as a member of the Pan-American Congress in the winter of 1889-'90, and has been the president of the Chautauqua Assembly since the death of Lewis Miller. He was a genial, kindly and very generous man. His manner was quiet, but always courteous, and his great object in life seemed to be to cultivate righteousness and make other people happy. His thousands of employees were devotedly attached to him, and could never be induced to listen to agitators who strove to sow discord in their ranks.

In matters of church and state Mr. Studebaker was always a wise counselor and an acknowledged leader. He was one of the closest friends of the late President McKinley, and was enthusiastic in his belief in the wisdom of placing him in the presidential chair. In all the departments of our church work his influence and wealth have been potent factors, and his death will be keenly felt by all who knew him and were ever associated with him. A wife and three children survive—Colonel George M. Studebaker, secretary of the company; Mrs. Charles Arthur Carlisle, wife of the general purchasing agent of the company; and Clem., Jr., cashier of the company.

Local Option Strikes a Snag

AS the demand for the open saloon on Sunday in New York is arousing so much determined opposition, its advocates, as we have stated elsewhere, shifted their plea to a request for local option, or home rule. Let it be distinctly understood, however, that it is the same ugly thing, the Sunday saloon, which inspires and voices this new cry.

A peculiar and almost amusing incident has occurred. Dr. I. K. Funk, the distinguished temperance reformer, in a letter to the *New York Sun*, met and accepted the proposition for local option, but did not strictly define what he meant. Immediately the daily press, heartily supported by the *Outlook*, exploited Dr. Funk's approval of the local option suggestion, taking it for granted that he meant the same scheme the liquor-seller did, and that the struggle for the Sunday saloon had won its first victory.

But Dr. Funk blasts all hope by writing a second letter to the *Sun*. In his later communication he explains specifically the nature of the local option or home rule which he and his temperance colleagues would accept. The *Sun*, in its issue of Nov. 29, thus clearly summarizes Dr. Funk's proposition:

"Dr. Funk's plan, as described by him in the *Sun* of Thursday, is, first, local option as to license or no license, referred to each Assembly district or ward, or, preferably, to the small sub-divisions of the election districts, and, secondly, and separately, as to Sunday opening

That is, not merely the question of open saloons on Sunday would be referred, but also the question whether liquor should be sold at all in the district. Any reference of the subject to this city as a whole, or even to the separate boroughs, is rejected by him as impossible of consideration. . . . Is this plan practicable? It could hardly commend itself to the liquor-dealers, for while probably they would gain Sunday opening in certain districts, they would risk the chance of being driven out of others on all days. . . . This is just the situation Dr. Funk and the Anti-Saloon League want to bring about. They will not give any chance to liquor which is not offset by a compensating chance of gain to themselves. They want to keep the community stirred up over the liquor question. Dr. Funk's plan is to have the local option vote repeated every three years, on the ground that 'agitation is education.' The proposition, therefore, would project the temperance question into politics as a burning issue and keep it there. Is either party in the Legislature likely to take any such dangerous responsibility? Evidently the temperance people know what they are about in advocating that kind of local option."

It is needless to add that we shall not hear any further approval of Dr. Funk as an advocate of local option or home rule for New York city.

PERSONALS

— Bishop Moore has been received at the royal palace of Japan in a cordial manner.

— President Roosevelt has selected Lincoln's birthday as the day he will attend the South Carolina Exposition.

— Hon. Robert Bond, premier of Newfoundland, has been knighted by the Duke of Cornwall. Mr. Bond is a Methodist.

— Miss Hilda Larson, one of our missionaries to the west coast of Africa, died at her parents' home in Evanston, Ill., Nov. 20.

— At Medicine Lodge, Kan., Nov. 27, David Nation was granted a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Carrie Nation, "the Kansas saloon-smasher."

— Mr. R. T. Miller, of Covington, Ky., a trustee of the Woman's College, Baltimore, has presented to the college museum 150 pieces of Mexican pottery.

— Bishop Thoburn recently ordained Rev. W. E. Lowther, of South Bend, Ind., who sailed for Ipoh, India, Nov. 17, to take charge of one of our schools in that place.

— Assistant Missionary Secretary George B. Smythe, of Berkeley, Cal., called at the HERALD office last week. We were gratified to note that he has so greatly improved in health. He is doing splendid service for the missionary cause.

— Rev. Dr. R. A. Torrey, the well-known revivalist and pastor of Moody's church, has been given a year's leave of absence, which he will spend in Australia. Dr. Torrey was a number of years ago pastor of one of the Minneapolis churches.

— The New York *Tribune* is responsible for the statement that Rev. G. S. Eldridge, D. D., of the First Church, New Haven, Conn., has accepted an invitation from Sumner Ave. Church, Brooklyn, to become its next pastor, subject to the appointing power.

— Bishop Cranston called at this office last week. He came to Boston to visit his daughter, who is at Lasell Seminary. Bishop Cranston will preside at the New Hampshire Conference instead of Bishop Merrill, as announced. He will always receive a warm welcome to New England.

— Rev. Willis A. Luce, of Unity, Me., writes under date of Nov. 29: "Another member of the East Maine Conference has gone to his reward. Rev. David Smith died, Nov. 26, at the home of his sister, Mrs.

Smart, in Troy, Me." A suitable memoir of this excellent man will soon appear.

— Rev. Dr. W. B. Pickard and wife, of Epworth Memorial Church, Cleveland, O., recently celebrated their silver wedding.

— Rev. and Mrs. Peter Van Fleet, of the Nebraska Conference, have gone to Porto Rico. He is assigned to the English work in that city.

— Rev. Stephen Brown, of Genesee Conference, died suddenly in Washington, D. C., Nov. 12, of heart failure. He was in his 84th year. In 1899 the Conference placed him on its roll of "Conference patriarchs."

— Miss Gertrude Evelyn Warriner, of West Springfield, was married to Andrew Peckham Baird, at the First Baptist Church, Merrick, on the evening of Nov. 20, by Rev. Frank S. Weston, the pastor, assisted by the groom's father, Rev. Andrew W. Baird, of Hampden. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Baird will reside at 10 Hanover St., West Springfield.

— Rev. Manley S. Hard, D. D., the newly-elected first assistant corresponding secretary of the Board of Church Extension, has been assigned the duty of arranging dates of the Conference anniversaries of the Missionary, Church Extension, and Freedmen's Aid Societies. Dr. W. A. Spencer did this work for several years. After a few weeks Dr. Hard will remove his family from Evanston, Ill., to Philadelphia.

— Dr. J. D. Hammond, superintendent of the Chinese Mission on the Pacific Coast, accompanied by Mrs. Hammond, came to Boston immediately after the meeting of the Missionary Committee at Pittsburg, to visit friends. While here Mrs. Hammond suffered a painful though not serious injury by falling down a flight of outside stone steps. She was rendered insensible, and it was necessary to take her to a hospital. We are gratified to be able to say that at this writing she is doing nicely.

— Mr. Frank A. Munsey, who has made such a notable success in extending the circulation of the magazine which bears his name, is to experiment in the newspaper field, having purchased a controlling interest in the New York *Daily News*, for a long time a moribund daily paper. He announces that the paper under his control will be "honest, fearless, and fair," and that he intends to make "a bright, clean, well-written, well-printed newspaper." His experiment will be watched with interest by the newspaper fraternity generally.

— The Boston *Herald* thus refers to Lieut.-Gov. Bates' eulogy upon President McKinley delivered last week in this city: "Lieut.-Gov. Bates, in his eulogy, made what may be termed the best effort of his life. He never appeared in better form. His voice was perfect. His hour's address seemed but a short prayer of a friend at the bier of one he loved. It was fascinating." And the Boston *Journal* said: "Lieut.-Gov. Bates' eulogy of President McKinley at the Faneuil Hall memorial service of the city of Boston was a sympathetic and eloquent presentation of the life of the dead President and of the great ideas which he believed in and advanced so powerfully."

— A rare soul left this earth last week when Prof. Joseph H. Thayer, of Harvard University Divinity School, passed away. We were amazed to learn that he was seventy-two years of age, for he never impressed us as old or as growing old. He it was who withdrew from Andover Theological Seminary in 1882 because he could no longer assent to its antiquated Calvinistic creed; and yet so fully did he incarnate Paul's doctrine of charity that he never presumed to sit in judgment upon his colleagues who continued to subscribe

to the compromising dogmas. Perhaps he was unrivaled as a student of New Testament Greek, and yet he could never be pedantic. Large, courtly, gentle, inspiring soul, he has not carried much that was incongruous into the heavenly life. We have not seen many men of his stamp and completeness.

BRIEFLETS

Reverence what is above, but despise not what is beneath.

The Boston *Journal* of Nov. 30 contained an excellent supplementary Book Number of sixteen pages, giving comprehensive and critical announcement of the unprecedented literary output of the year.

On Thursday evening, Nov. 21, the Hyde Park Church celebrated the 27th anniversary of its dedication with a banquet at which more than three hundred persons sat down. The last mortgage was burned. This had been paid by members of the official board, thus leaving the best Protestant property in the town free from debt for the first time in its history. Presiding Elder Perrin and several former pastors were present and spoke. Rev. G. F. Durgin, the pastor, is having a successful and pleasant year.

How little does life amount to without some saving and all-utilizing purpose! It is not of much use to reap and thresh unless you have got a granary to put your wheat into.

Clafin University has opened with about 600 students, and will probably enroll 800. The cotton crop is short this year, and the people are crying hard times.

Through the influence very largely of Bishop Mallalieu, a substantial granite monument has recently been erected over the grave of Rev. Martin Ruter, D. D., in Navasota, Texas. It will be formally dedicated at 10 A. M., Dec. 3, by a union service shared by representatives of the Methodist Episcopal and Methodist Episcopal, South, Churches. Bishop Joyce will have charge.

Emotional preaching will always have an important function. Emotion makes the mind and heart plastic, so that they are the more easily molded in accordance with truth.

Our *City* for November — the organ of the Boston City Missionary and Church Extension Society — is a very interesting and instructive pamphlet, describing many phases of the very excellent work which the Society is doing. We hope that it may have, as it deserves, a wide reading. Dr. J. H. Mansfield, the editor, will forward copies to all who request them. Address him at 36 Bromfield St.

Are not educational institutions, in these days, growing too dependent upon endowments? The undue multiplication of unbought advantages, especially in the case of students whose every need is gratuitously met, must tend in the long run to the pauperization of scholarship.

The Fall River *Evening News* of Nov. 25 contains an abstract of the sermon address delivered on the Sunday evening previous by Rev. E. F. Studley, at Quarry St. Church, on the "Poor Man's Club." The preacher showed that this term for the saloon was a wretched misnomer. We note especially the statement of the faith-

ful preacher, as a confirmation of a position promptly taken by ZION'S HERALD, to the effect that if the open saloon on Sunday were granted to New York city, it would soon exist in every city in the United States: "It is even now being suggested in Fall River, since the agitation of Sunday opening in New York, that it would be a good thing to open the saloons here on God's day."

The one anchor that can never drag is the anchor of obedience.

Rev. Daniel Richards, 18 Loring St., Somerville, if he lives until the 9th day of this month—as now seems clearly probable, since he is in comfortable health—will reach his 83d birthday. With a host of friends, ZION'S HERALD congratulates him on his long and fragrant life.

The foundation-stone of the new American church in Nollendorf Platz, Berlin, was laid, Nov. 28, by Andrew D. White, United States Ambassador to Germany. A large number of representatives of the American colony were present. Mr. White and Mr. Mason, the American Consul-General at Berlin, and Rev. Mr. Dixie, the pastor of the church, made addresses.

Few people realize how much false kindness there is in the world—kindness whose motive is purely selfish. Real kindness costs more than many, who think themselves benevolent, are willing to pay.

We shall publish, in next week's issue, a stenographic report of the excellent address delivered on Monday before the Boston Methodist Preachers' Meeting, by Prof. Francis Greenwood Peabody, on "The Christian Doctrine of Wealth."

On the evening of Nov. 5, at "Prospect Home," Brownington Centre, Vt., Rev. R. C. Vail, of Brownington, and Mrs. Eva R. Marshall, of Hardwick, Vt., were united in marriage by Rev. C. J. Brown.

On Monday, Nov. 25, Rev. W. M. Crawford, of Spencer, officiated in Roxbury at the marriage of Harry A. Kempton and Miss Harryett M. Bean. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bean, members of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Egleston Square. After the wedding collation Mr. and Mrs. Kempton left for a short trip to New York, after which they will reside in Philadelphia.

Rev. C. E. Davis, of Tremont St. Church, this city, did well, last Sunday evening, to "speak out" to his congregation upon "Seth Lowe's Costly Victory." So very much is involved in this last, worst assault upon the Sabbath and the cause of temperance, that our ministers generally would do well to present the subject to their people. Mr. Davis is quite right in saying: "If reform can only be obtained in municipal government by promises to violate the Commandments in the interest of certain sections of the population, then it were as well that Tammany had remained in power. The Low victory will in that case be the most costly one for civic righteousness that this country has ever known."

Rev. Franklin Hamilton, in preaching the Thanksgiving sermon at a union service held in First Church, Temple St., this city, is reported to have said: "I maintain that we ought to return in some manner to the Puritan Sunday. I would that we could get the Lord's day to be a holy day. If we had more Puritans like President Roosevelt we should have less corruption

in the land. We ought to get some of the old Puritan spirit back into our public school affairs.

Opportunity is like the tide. If one loses its flood, he must expect to struggle twice as hard to overcome its ebb.

Last Sunday, St. James' Church, Madison Ave., New York city, started out to raise its indebtedness of \$36,000, and at the close of the third service, under Dr. E. S. Tipple, recent pastor, it was found that the pledges of the day totaled up \$42,000—so says the New York Tribune. May this mighty debt-paying wave, which Drs. Tipple and North have started in New York city, roll over our entire Methodism!

The Springfield Republican, referring to Secretary Root's annual report of the War Department, says: "The canteen question is summarily and satisfactorily disposed of, for the coming session, at least, by Secretary Root's conclusion that 'a sufficient time has not elapsed to give the law a fair trial.'"

Remember that the best and most permanently satisfactory Christmas present to many people would be a year's subscription to ZION'S HERALD.

It is a noteworthy fact that the first Protestant Armenian church building in America, the "Church of the Martyrs," was dedicated on Sunday last at Worcester, and Rev. H. G. Bennenyan installed as pastor. The church cost \$9,500, and the money has been raised largely among the Armenians of Worcester.

From many of our intelligent readers we have been gratified to receive generous letters expressive of their appreciation of the report of the last meeting of the Boston Methodist Social Union, not only for the addresses of Profs. Winchester and Harrington, but for the publication of their portraits.

Trinity Church, Springfield, of which Rev. A. C. Skinner is pastor, gathered up the first-fruits of its revival on Sunday by receiving 42 persons into the church. There are more to join at an early date.

No one can hope to succeed who is continually shying away from the hard places in his work.

We were gratified to notice this statement of the action of the New York Methodist Preachers' Meeting on Monday, the 25th, which appeared in the New York Sun: "At the Monday meeting of the Methodist preachers yesterday, resolutions were adopted against legislation permitting the opening of saloons on Sunday. One of the clauses of the resolution 'urges upon all Christian people the necessity of united, resolute action, and the adoption of the most vigorous measures by way of protest against the removal from our statute books of such laws as have for their intent the preservation of our holy Sabbath.' The resolutions were signed by J. Wesley Johnston, J. O. Wilson, T. B. Neely, Thomas L. Poulson, and Frank Mason North."

The friends of Claflin University, Orangeburg, S. C., will be pleased to learn that the institution has recently come into possession of a fine oil portrait of Col. Robert Gould Shaw, painted by the colored artist Banister, the thoughtful and generous donation of Hon. William Claflin. The portrait has added value to the institution from the fact that Col. Shaw fell before Ft.

Wagner, S. C., while leading the gallant 54th Massachusetts colored regiment, "in one of the fiercest struggles of the war," and his body was buried and now lies with his colored heroes in a trench near where he fell. Gov. Claflin, in announcing the gift, says: "It seems appropriate that a portrait of high excellence painted by a colored artist, perhaps the first of wide reputation, should be placed in the halls of the first institution established for the higher education of freedmen and their children."

Some miracles have grown so familiar to us that we speak of them as phenomena. But they are none the less, in essence, miracles.

A double wedding of unusual interest occurred on Thanksgiving Day in Gloucester, when Rev. S. A. Bragg united the two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Day, May A. M. and Lena, to I. Horace Tucker and Fred R. Boynton, all of Riverdale. Mr. Day is a leading man in the Riverdale church, and the contracting parties are all members, all officers and teachers in the Sunday-school, and the grooms are stewards.

It is wise to count ten before every angry word that springs to the lips, and a hundred before every word of flattery. For the flattering word is ten times more harmful than the angry word.

A cablegram to the New York Sun from Pekin, dated Nov. 30, announces that the representatives of the three great missions in China—the American Board, the London Society, and the Presbyterian Board—are arranging for co-operation in mission work in China. The consolidated missions will be called the North China Educational Union. They will embrace theological and female schools and the college at Tungchow. Rev. Dr. Sheffield, of the American Board, will be president of the United societies. This is a most important movement, and, we trust, the forerunner of much more of the same nature that is to follow. We hope that the day is near when there will no longer be two American Methodisms working side by side in any foreign field. We look not for co-operation merely, but for complete consolidation.

At the Methodist parsonage in Bridgewater, on Dec. 1, Mr. Hassey T. Martin, of Salem, and Miss Ethel A. Ham, of Tuttonboro, N. H., were united in marriage by Rev. N. C. Alger. The bride has served as organist for many years in Tuttonboro Methodist Church, and her father, Charles E. Ham, is still chorister, and her mother, Mrs. Addie E. Ham, Sunday-school superintendent. The couple will reside in Bridgewater.

Rev. N. M. Learned writes: "Last April I was stationed among the wonderful Adirondacks at Lake Placid, the pearl of all resorts in this region. Here I found a burdensome debt on the Methodist Episcopal Church. Since Aug. 25 we have raised nearly \$1,800, which has been applied on the debt and for church and parsonage improvements. Besides paying off all indebtedness, recently 13 have been received in full connection, 4 by letter and 7 on probation, and we are singing, 'more to follow.'"

There is no excuse for lying at anchor, unless there be a dead calm or a storm. While the brisk, steady breezes of life are blowing, then is the time to be sailing and making progress.

IN MY LIBRARY

REV. JAMES MUDGE, D. D.

I N my library. Yes, let the emphasis be on the pronoun. Those great aggregations of books stored up in beautiful buildings for the public good are certainly very well in their way, a most excellent way — how could we get on without them? — but after all they cannot take the place of that much smaller collection which has gradually gathered around me and become a part of my very being.

They look lovingly down upon me, by the light of the evening lamp, these few hundreds of volumes, as I sit in my easy-chair, in meditative mood, and many precious associations they call up. Some have come from boyhood days, school-books in that far-off time, or presents from dear ones long since gone to heaven. Some tell of college grinding, and are linked with instructors to whom a great debt is due. Most have been purchased

tell of laborious yet joyful hours. In short, as my eye wanders along the well-filled shelves and memories multiply, no two volumes seem to have just the same correlation, and I could review almost all my life from this suggestive standpoint. It would not be hard to trace my intellectual evolution from the titles that confront me here. My tastes and needs are not the same, I find, that they were twenty or thirty years ago. I do not incline to buy the same sort of books that I did then. How many there are here that I could readily spare; they are outgrown, and scarcely ever touched.

One's own library! How much it means! Even if not very extended, it contains treasures whose value can in no degree be estimated by the small sums laid out. There are great books here that have shaken the world and constitute epochs in thought. I see names that have lighted up the ages and conferred rare distinction on the lands that gave

fill of their inspiring company. Here is the one Book, in many languages, many translations, many editions, scores of varied forms, each helpful. The Elysian fields of choicest literature are here — letters, dialogues, essays, sermons, stories, biographies, travels, histories, poems — and one may range over them at will. Here are fountains of spiritual refreshment from which one may freely drink, chariots of the soul on which one may gaily mount, golden doors through which one may easily enter proud palaces of the mind. Truly it is a wonderful world — this world of imagination and observation, fancy and fact, the world of books!

My tools are here, the implements of my trade. It is no small thing to know how to handle them, if indeed I do yet know after these long years of patient study. This is the chief good conferred by the university drill — it gave me considerable command of this marvelous apparatus, by which the stores of the past are put at my disposal, the intellects of other and far greater men are linked with mine, and my power is prodigiously multiplied. How little could I accomplish by my own unaided efforts compared with that which I am able to effect through the help of this potent instrumentality. Rightly to use it without abusing it, so as to increase rather than diminish native strength and originality, whatsoever it be, is the art of arts to be coveted and cultivated.

These books are my instructors as well as tools. How much they have taught me! Not so much as they might, and yet an amount that I could in no wise spare, and that is a momentous enrichment to my life. They have stimulated me to mental toil, called out my best endeavors, made me familiar with noble ideals, refined my taste, strengthened my grasp of important truth, cleared up perplexities, and opened to me visions of unspeakable delight. They have been very patient with me, willing to wait while I went over the lesson again and again, ready to come at my call, and not resenting it when dismissed with little ceremony. Such teachers are beyond price.

They have been true friends, some of them very intimate; others have not passed beyond the stage of mere acquaintance. What comfort has been afforded by their society! In times of sorrow they have spoken the right word. When things went wrong outside they have supplied a sure refuge within. They have not been obtrusive with their sympathy either in joy or grief, but they have never been too busy to respond when wanted. If they have differed with me sometimes, they have presented reasons for their opinions more or less convincing. They have often conferred exceeding great benefit by pointing out my faults, rebuking my sloth, and awakening earnest thought. There are a chosen few of whom I do not tire; my only complaint is that I do not get more time to enjoy their company.

My books! They are not a luxury or an indulgence, but a necessity. They are meat and drink and raiment; food for the soul, clothing for the mind. Better let stomach be empty (to a degree) and back be bare (of elegant garments) than be too straitly denied in this higher realm.



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In more recent years, but not a few have in them names of donors. Here and there is a presentation copy with the author's autograph and compliments. From distant lands come some, bought in foreign cities and recalling scenes far different from those around me now. Others have a peculiar nearness in that they bear my name on the title-page, and

them birth. Poets sing to me out of these pages, which are cages; for me historians have delved into the past; brilliant minds bequeath to me their best reflections, their wittiest remarks; sages condescend to share with me their wisdom; genius grants me unrestricted intercourse; saints who have walked close with God walk now with me, and I may take my

My books! They have largely made me what I am; they have contributed much to my character, have entered into the warp and woof of my nature. Why should I not love them? How can I help it? They will be scattered by and by when I am gone. They are worth but little in the market. They will never be to any one else what they have been to me. But so long as I draw breath I will cherish them, and sit with uncloyed appetite at the feast which they furnish. What the beautiful landscape is to the artist, what the bounding billows are to the sailor, what the fruitful fields are to the farmer, as a prospect fraught with keen enjoyment and unstinted satisfaction, that to the scholar is his library.

Webster, Mass.

FROM THE PUBLISHERS

Output, Best Sellers, Volumes in Press

THE interesting and instructive information which follows, from leading publishers, is received in response to the subjoined note of inquiry:

"Please state, for publication in our annual Book Number, the titles of a half-dozen noteworthy books in your output for the year; which of your books have been the best sellers; and what valuable volumes you have in press. Reply not to exceed 200 words."

Methodist Book Concern, New York (Eaton & Mains)

We note as the most important recent publications: "A History of Babylonia and Assyria," by Robert Wm. Rogers, Ph. D., of Drew Seminary. This book is regarded by competent authorities as the standard as well as the most popular work on the subject. "Nature and Character at Granite Bay," by Bishop D. A. Goodsell, is the most attractive of books in its mechanical appearance, and is a gem of literary workmanship. "The King's Gold," by Mrs. Elizabeth Cheney, is proving the most popular juvenile of the year. "The Great Saints of the Bible," by L. A. Banks, D. D., adds to the popu-

We have in press a new and revised edition of Hurst's "History of Rationalism," and will soon issue the great "History of Methodism," by the same author.

Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston

Among the noteworthy new books may be mentioned: "James Russell Lowell," by Horace E. Scudder; "Life Everlasting," by John Fiske; "American Traits," by Hugo Munsterberg; "The Rights of Man," by Dr. Lyman Abbott; "Italian Journeys," by William Dean Howells; "The Fire-side Sphinx," by Agnes Repplier; "The Tory Lover," by Sarah Orne Jewett; "Our Lady Vanity," by Ellen Olney Kirk; "Our National Parks," by John Muir. In addition to these books, the following from the spring list have had a very good sale: "The Turn of the Road," by Eugenia Brooks Frothingham; "Penelope's Irish Experiences," by Kate Douglas Wiggin; "King's End," by Alice Brown; "The Autobiography of a Journalist," by W. J. Stillman.

Harper & Brothers, New York

Messrs. Harper & Brothers have published during 1901 a remarkable number of important books, of which the following are noteworthy: "The Right of Way," by Gilbert Parker; "Cardigan," by Robert W. Chambers; "The Portion of Labor," by Mary E. Wilkins; "Heroines of Fiction," by W. D. Howells; "Peter Newell Edition of 'Alice's Adventures in Wonderland';" "The Spanish-American War," by General R. A. Alger; "A Japanese Nightingale," by Onoto Watanna. Among their best selling books of the year are the following:

bit; "Babs the Impossible," by Sarah Grand; "The Players' Edition of 'Ben Hur';" "The House of de Mailly," by Margaret Horton Potter; "Days Like These" (American Novel Series), by E. W. Townsend.

These publishers now have in preparation a new volume of "Wessex Poems," by Thomas Hardy, entitled, "Poems of the Past and the Present;" Harry Furniss' "Confessions of a



TRACKS IN THE SNOW

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Caricaturist; "Miss Marianna Wheeler's 'The Baby: Its Care and Training';" and Mr. W. E. Henley's new volume of poems entitled, "Hawthorn and Lavender."

Little, Brown & Co., Boston

Little, Brown & Co. have published about 200 new books and new editions (exclusive of subscription and law publications) during the past year, commencing with the tenth and last volume of the new uniform Collected Edition of the works of Edward Everett Hale, and ending with Captain Alfred T. Mahan's important new volume, entitled, "Types of Naval Officers," issued Nov. 30. The list embraces fiction, ranging from new novels by new authors to new editions of Balzac, Dumas, Lever, and favorite juvenile writers, to biography, history, travel, essays, instructive, holiday and gift-books. "Truth Dexter," an American society novel by Sidney McCall, has been the best selling single volume of fiction, while "Joy and Strength for the Pilgrim's Day," compiled by Mary W. Tileston, promises to be as popular as her "Daily Strength for Daily Needs," over 200,000 copies of which have been sold. The thirtieth anniversary of the publication of Miss Alcott's "Little Women" is marked by the issuing for the first time of an illustrated edition, which, with ten new juveniles and many new editions, makes this class of Little, Brown & Co.'s books particularly noteworthy.

Fleming H. Revell Company, Chicago

Out of about one hundred and fifty new volumes, one of the latest—"The Man from Glengarry"—by Ralph Connor, stands in marked pre-eminence, with a sale, before publication day, of nearly 60,000 copies. Only second to this is Dr. James M. Ludlow's historical tale of the times of Judas Maccabaeus, entitled "Deborah," a second large edition being put to



Tintoretto Painting his Dead Daughter, from "MASTERS OF PAINTING," Dana Estes & Co., Boston.

larity of the author. "Unto Heights Heroic," by G. S. Eldridge, is a Biblical interpretation which has met with great favor. "Loitering in Old Fields," by J. B. Kenyon, a delightful series of literary sketches, will be welcomed by all who have formed acquaintance with this talented author.

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press immediately upon the completion of the first. Two very important works, having to do with the Chinese Empire, have just appeared—Dr. W. A. P. Martin's "Lore of Cathay," a study of the intellectual life of China, and Dr. Arthur H. Smith's large two-volume work, entitled, "China in Convulsion." Three editions of Torrey's "How to Work for Christ" have followed each other in rapid succession since September. An item of interest is the appearance of the third part (thus completing the whole) of the "Twentieth Century New Testament." Among the latest volumes appearing within a few days should be mentioned Hugh Black's "Culture and Restraint," a handsome presentation edition of Margaret E. Sangster's popular "Winsome Womanhood," and the same author's new volume of poems, "Lyrics of Love;" George Matheson's "Times of Retirement;" and Henry Otis Dwight's interesting study of "Constantinople and its Problems." In distinctly devotional literature, Revell's list includes new works by such popular writers as G. Campbell Morgan, Handley C. G. Moule, Charles H. Parkhurst, Prof. A. C. Fadyen, F. B. Meyer, and Andrew Murray.

Century Company, New York

"Wild Life Near Home," by Dallas Lore Sharp, of Boston, is the leading illustrated book of the Century Company for the Christmas season of 1902. It is a nature book, exquisitely illustrated by Bruce Horsfall. "Careers of Danger and Daring," by Cleveland Moffett, and Dr.

pany issues is the "Thumb-Nail" series, little books in embossed leather bindings. The new ones for the present year include extracts from Lincoln's speeches and a collection of translations of the Odes of Horace. Among the new books for boys and girls are: "A Frigate's Namesake," by Alice Balch Abbot, a book for girls; and "The Junior Cup," by Allen French. This publishing house has recently issued a little booklet containing an analysis of the best books for boys and girls, and telling to just what age the different books are adapted and to what sex. A copy will be sent on request.

Charles Scribner's Sons, New York

So far this year Ernest Seton-Thompson's book, "Lives of the Hunted," is our best seller, being already in its 70th thousand, and only published on Oct. 12. George W. Cable's stirring novel, "The Cavalier," is in its 55th thousand. J. A. Mitchell's "Amos Judd," illustrated in full color by A. I. Keller, is in its 35th thousand. Dr. Henry Van Dyke's "The Ruling Passion," with colored illustrations by Walter Appleton Clark, is in its 40th thousand. These are perhaps our best sellers, but our entire list this year is selling astonishingly well. Our most important biography is Graham Balfour's two-volume "Life of Stevenson," now in its 11th thousand. Two books of tremendous importance in our list will be published in early December—"Colonial Furniture in America," by Luke Vincent Lockwood, which will carry 300 illustrations; and "Eugene Field: A Study

"Travels Round Our Village," by Eleanor G. Hayden. "Sacharissa," by Julia Cartwright, author of "Madame" and "Beatrice d'Este," is the life and correspondence of Dorothy Sidney, Countess of Sunderland, made immortal by Waller's verse. In the "Master Musicians" series the two new volumes, "Handel" and "Mendelssohn," carry out the high standard of the earlier volumes, and are attracting favorable attention.

During the year the publishers have had constant demand for the "Life and Letters of Phillips Brooks."

The Macmillan Co., New York

In reply to your favor of the 10th inst., we beg to submit the following titles for insertion in your annual Book Number: "The Making of An American," by Jacob A. Riis; "Old Time Gardens," by Alice Morse Earle; "The Benefactress," by the author of "Elizabeth and Her German Garden;" "Marietta: A Maid of Venice," by F. Marion Crawford; "The Crisis," by Winston Churchill; "The Garden of a Commuter's Wife," Anonymous; "The Letters of John Richard Green," edited by Leslie Stephen; "George Washington," by Norman Hapgood; "New Canterbury Tales," by Maurice Hewlett; "Calumet 'K,'" by Merwin Webster; "William Shakespeare, Poet, Dramatist and Man," by Hamilton W. Mable; "Flowers and Ferns in their Haunts," by Mabel O. Wright.

Methodist Book Concern, Cincinnati

(Jennings & Pye)

A new Life of Abraham Lincoln, by Robert H. Brown, M. D., is issued, which has attracted much attention, and is a worthy addition to the lives of this great man. "A Modern Apollon" is the first novel from the pen of the gifted preacher, Dr. Robert McIntyre, of Chicago. "Diomedes the Centurion," by H. A. M. Henderson, D. D., is a religious story of great interest. "The Destiny of Our Country," by Mahone, and "Freedom's Next War for Humanity," by Locke, both deal with the great problems of modern life in a masterly way. "The Blessed Life," like everything else from the pen of its gifted author, W. A. Quayle, D. D., is a helpful and attractive work. "Studies in the Life of Christ" has met with immediate success as the most able text-book on the Bible now in the market.

There will soon be issued a new volume from the pen of Dr. J. W. Johnston, called "The Riddle of Life," and a new series of "Little Books on Practice"—Vol. 1, "The Art of Soul-winning," to be ready at once; also a new marriage book by Bishop Hurst, under the title "A New Hearth Stone."

Lee & Shepard, Boston

Out of twenty or more new publications for 1901, the below-mentioned six are leaders in point of sale, excellence of make-up, and genuine value: "Gail Hamilton's Life in Letters," edited by H. Augusta Dodge (two vols.); these letters present her life more fully than it could be told by another; "A Twentieth Century Boy," by Marguerite Linton Glentworth ("Gladys Dudley Hamilton"); "American Boys' Life of William McKinley," by Edward Stratemeyer, illustrated by A. B. Shute, and from photographs; "With Washington in the West; or, A Soldier Boy's Battle in the Wilderness," the first volume of the "Colonial" Series, by Edward Stratemeyer; "In the Days of William the Conqueror," by Eva March Tappan, Ph. D., illustrated by J. W. Kennedy; "Betty Seldon Patriot," by Adele E. Thompson, illustrated by Lillian Crawford True. We also have in preparation a new novel by Charles Clark Munn author of our very successful "Uncle Terry," which will be issued in the spring of 1902, entitled, "Rockhaven: The Story of a Scheme."

Doubleday, Page & Company, New York

The following are some of the most important books: "The Harriman Alaska Expedition" (two vols.)—the finest work of scientific travel ever gotten out on this side of the Atlantic; "Camera Shots at Big Game," by Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wallihan, with an introduction by Theodore Roosevelt; "The Furniture of our Forefathers," by Esther Singleton; "The Writings of Col. Wm. Byrd," of Westover in Virginia, Esq., 1674-1744; "Old Songs for Young Amer-



From "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland."

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William Mason's "Memories of a Musical Life," are other handsomely illustrated books issued by this house. Its most successful novels of the past year have been Bertha Runkle's famous "Helmet of Navarre" and Dr. Mitchell's "Circumstance." A little book, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," which reminds the reader somewhat of Mrs. Wiggins' "Birds' Christmas Carol," is having a large Christmas sale. The new books in the "Century Classics" series comprise Franklin's Autobiography, Kingsley's "Hypatia," a selection of Poe's tales, made by Hamilton Wright Mable, and Ruskin's Essays. Another popular series which the Century Com-

pany issues is the "Thumb-Nail" series, little books in embossed leather bindings. The new ones for the present year include extracts from Lincoln's speeches and a collection of translations of the Odes of Horace. Among the new books for boys and girls are: "A Frigate's Namesake," by Alice Balch Abbot, a book for girls; and "The Junior Cup," by Allen French. This publishing house has recently issued a little booklet containing an analysis of the best books for boys and girls, and telling to just what age the different books are adapted and to what sex. A copy will be sent on request.

E. P. Dutton & Co., New York

Among the new children's books published by Messrs. E. P. Dutton & Company are: Elizabeth Westyn Timlow's "A Nest of Girls;" Dorothy Quigley's "Two of the Best;" and Clara D. Piereson's, "Among the Pond People." The same firm also publishes a most attractive book,

ica "Up from Slavery" — Booker T. Washington's remarkable autobiography.

The most notable fiction lately published has been: Kipling's "Kim"; "A Modern Antæus," by the author of "An Englishwoman's Love Letters"; "The Octopus," by Frank Norris. Besides these we have: "A Journey to Nature," and "The Making of a Country Home," by "J. P. M." We might also mention "The Personal Edition of George Eliot's Works," "The Temple Dickens," "The Road to Frontenac," by Samuel Merwin, "The Bears of Blue River," by Charles Major, etc. We have made more or less a specialty of our Nature Study books, of which we now have seven, illustrated by colored plates and photographs.

Dana Estes & Company, Boston

Referring to your request for the titles of a half-dozen noteworthy books in our output for the present year, together with the titles of the books that have been the best sellers, and of the valuable volumes we have in press, we would name: Novels, "Geoffrey Strong," by Mrs. Laura E. Richards. Science, "A Handbook of British Birds," by J. E. Harting, F. L. S., F. G. S. Gift books, "A Year Book of Famous Lyrics," Frederic Lawrence Knowles; "Among the Great Masters of Oratory," Walter Rowlands. Juveniles, "Reynard the Fox," new illustrated edition, edited by J. J. Mora; "The Tin Owl Stories," William Rose.

Among the best selling books in our list of current publications may be named: "Traveler Tales of China," by Hezekiah Butterworth; "Our Jim," by Edward S. Ellis; and "Fernley House," by Mrs. Laura E. Richards. Mrs. Richards' "Geoffrey Strong," however, heads the entire list as to the matter of sales, with the single exception of the ever-popular "Chatterbox." We have also published this season three editions of our standard sets: George Eliot's complete works, Handy Volume edition; new illustrated cabinet edition of Alexandre Dumas, newly translated by Catherine Prescott Wormley; and new illustrated cabinet edition of Thomas Carlyle, edited by Dr. W. J. Rolfe.

Of the valuable volumes we have in press, perhaps the most notable is the new and thoroughly revised edition of Dr. Elliott Coues' "Key to North American Birds," which will be issued in the spring in two volumes, octavo.

G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York

We may mention the following as the most important books, either on the ground of their popular character, or of their permanent value: "Historic Towns Series" (4 vols.), edited this season by the publication of "Historic Towns of the Western States;" "European Neighbors Series" (4 vols. thus far issued), "Dutch Life in Town and Country" being the volume of the present season; "American Men of Energy Series" (4 vols. thus far issued), the volume of the present season being "Israel Putnam," by Rev. Wm. F. Livingstone. This life of the old Revolutionary hero possesses special interest for New Englanders, Putnam having been born in Massachusetts, and having passed a large part of his life in Connecticut.

In fiction the most noteworthy issues have been "Katharine Day," by Anna Fuller, author of "A Literary Courtship;" "Time and Chance," by Elbert Hubbard, author of the "Little Journeys;" "One of My Sons," by Anna Katharine Green, author of the "Leavenworth Case;" "The Death of the Gods," by Dimitri Merejkowski. In lighter literature, the book of the season is "The Spinster Book," by Myrtle Reid, author of the "Love Letters of a Musician."

Lothrop Publishing Company, Boston

Our publications this year cover a much larger and wider field than ever before, and in fiction, especially, we have made the greatest advance. We have issued for the fall trade the following noteworthy books: "D'ri and I," by Irving Bacheller; "When the Land was Young," by Miss Lafayette McLaws; "The Potter and the Clay," by Maud Howard Peterson; "Caleb Wright," by John Habberton, author of "Helen's Babies;" "A Carolina Cavalier," by George Cary Eggleston; "On the Great Highway," by James Creelman, the famous war correspondent; "J. Devlin — Boss," by Francis Churchill Williams; "A Princess of the Hills,"

by Mrs. Burton Harrison; "The Kidnapped Millionaires," by Frederick U. Adams. Of this list five appeared in the list of the fifteen best selling books sent out from New York on Oct. 16, giving us one-third of the leading books, representing all publishers. Mr. Bacheller's second success in "D'ri and I" is noteworthy, as that book is now in its 150th thousand, with the holiday trade yet to come. Dr. Eggleston's "A Carolina Cavalier" is in its 17th thousand, and is proving to be a success. Several of the

and "When Blades are Out and Love's Afeld," by Cyrus Townsend Brady.

A. C. McClurg & Co., Chicago

Of our publications for 1901 we have had unusual success with Mr. Geo. Horton's "The Tempting of Father Anthony;" Mr. Hermon Lee Ensign's "Lady Lee;" Mr. Charlton Andrews' "A Parfit Gentil Knight;" and Miss Mary Im- lay Taylor's "Anne Scarlett." Among our



From "Heroines of Fiction."

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others have passed the ten thousand mark. Perhaps in many ways the strongest book on our list is "On the Great Highway." In this Mr. Creelman covers the range of events throughout the world during the last quarter-century.

Our juveniles this year include the following: "The Adventures of Joel Pepper," by Margaret Sidney; "Winning Out," by O. S. Marden; "Camp Venture," by George Cary Eggleston; "Jack Morgan," by W. O. Stoddard; "Aerial Runaway," by W. P. Chipman; "Animals in Action," from the German of Brahm, and others.

J. B. Lippincott Company, Philadelphia

We have your favor of Nov. 19, inquiring as to the titles of a half-dozen noteworthy books we have issued this year, and our best books in preparation. We beg to name under the first classification: "Twelfth Night, Variorum Edition of Shakespeare," edited by Horace Howard Furness, LL. D.; "The True Thomas Jefferson," by Wm. Eleroy Curtis; "The Mighty Deep," by Agnes Giberne; "Music and its Masters," by O. B. Boise; "Jack Raymond," by Mrs. E. L. Voynich; and "Lover Fugitives" (a novel), by John Finnemore. Of important books in preparation we beg to mention, "The Temple Bible," in twenty-four 16mo volumes, each edited by a scholar who has made a special study of that book (Genesis and Exodus are already issued); and "Washington: the Capital City," by Rufus Rockwell Wilson. Our best sellers during the year have been: "Jack Raymond," by E. L. Voynich; "That Mainwaring Affair," by A. M. Barbour;

general books our large work on "Rugs," by Miss Rosa Belle Holt, has proved a most important venture, and the sales have exceeded our anticipations. Mr. Joseph Fitzgerald's "Word and Phrase" has been received by the press with uniform favor and approval, and the work is already finding adoption in schools and among literary workers everywhere. Among the works which we have in press for 1902 are a new popular "Life of Herbert Spencer," by Dr. David Starr Jordan, of Stanford University, and an unusually strong story of Viking days, dealing with Lelf Ericson and his voyage to America, which will be beautifully illustrated.

Dodd, Mead & Co., New York

These publishers include, among their books having the largest sale during the year: "Warwick of the Knobs," by John Uri Lloyd, also "Stringtown on the Pike," by the same author; "The History of Sir Richard Calmady," by Lucas Malet; "A Dream of Empire; or, The House of Blennerhassett," by William Henry Venable, LL. D.; "The Velvet Glove," by Henry Seton Merriman; "Young Barbarians," by Ian Maclaren; "Complete Works of George Eliot" (Warwick Edition); "A Child of Nature: John Foster," by H. W. Mable; "Candle-Lightin' Time," by Paul Laurence Dunbar.

Thomas Whittaker, New York

The six most noteworthy books which we published during the past year are as follows: "Present-Day Problems in Christian Thought," by Randolph H. McKim, D. D.; "The Atonement in Modern Religious Thought: A Theological Symposium;" "Faith of the Centuries:

A Series of Essays on the Subject of Christian Religion," by Scott-Holland, Prof. Ryle, and others; "How to Study the Life of Christ: A Handbook for S. S. Teachers," by Rev. Alford A. Butler; "A Century's Progress in Religious Life and Thought," by Rev. Walter F. Adeney. The three most important books we have in the press to be published early in January are the following: "The Kinship of God and Man: A Study in Biological Theology," by Rev. J. J. Lanier, L.L. D.; "Psychical Verification of Gospel Miracles," by Rev. E. M. Duff and Dr. Thomas G. Allen; "The New World and the New Thought," by Rev. James Thompson Bixby.

Small, Maynard & Company, Boston

We should select as some of the most noteworthy of our publications during the past year the following volumes: "Mononia," an Irish love story of '48 by Justin McCarthy, M. P., which gives many interesting pictures of Ireland of the author's youth; "Theology at the Dawn of the Twentieth Century," a symposium of original essays on the present status of Christianity and its doctrines; "To Girls," by Heloise Edwina Hersey, an educator well known in Boston; "A House Party," a volume of short stories by twelve celebrated American authors published anonymously; "Sylvia," a story of an American countess, another popular novel. We would suggest for the sixth the new volumes in the Beacon and Westminster Biographies, which consist of notably good lives of "Hamilton," "Longfellow," "Booth," "Morse," and "Cardinal Newman."

D. Appleton & Co., New York

Five of the best books in our output for the year are: "Mills of God," by Elinor Macartney Lane; "A Commercial Geography," by Cyrus C. Adams; "The Eternal City," by Hall Calne; "A Nest of Linnets," by F. Frankfort Moore; "The Quiberon Touch," by Cyrus Townsend Brady. A few of our books still on press are: "The Man who Knew Better," by T. Gallon, illustrated by Gordon Browne; "Shipmates," by Morgan Robertson; and "Apostles of the Southeast," by Frank T. Bullen. Our standard publications are maintaining a steady sale, such as "Appletons' World Series," the "Great

important decorations by distinguished artists in the United States, by Pauline King — a book absolutely new in its field.

Thomas Y. Crowell & Co., New York

From the large output having a good sale the following volumes may be mentioned: "Dames and Daughters of Colonial Days, and Dames and Daughters of the Young Republic," by Geraldine Brooks (two vols.), with photogravure illustrations by Ogden and Copeland; "The Ministry of Comfort," by Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D.; "Doctrine and Deed," by Charles E. Jefferson, D. D., also "Quiet Hints to Growing Preachers," by the same author; "Problems of Evolution," by F. W. Headley; "The Religious Spirit in the Poets," by the Right Rev. William Boyd Carpenter; "Mistress Barbara," by Halliwell Sutcliffe; "Pine Ridge Plantation: The Trials and Successes of a Young Cotton Planter," by William Drysdale; the "Self-Educator" series; the "What is Worth While" series.

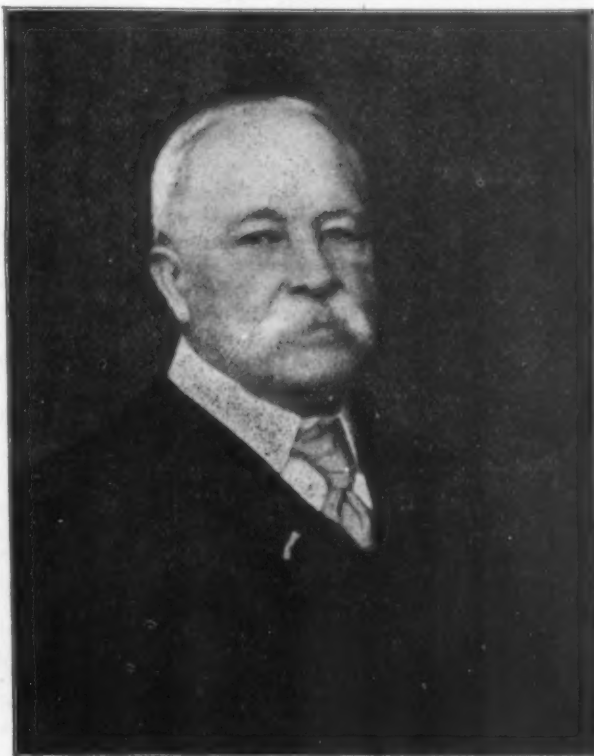
Funk & Wagnalls Company, New York

Of popular novels and holiday books our list includes: "Tarry Thou Till I Come," by George Croly (special holiday edition, two volumes); "For Charles's Sake, and Other Lyrics and Ballads," by John Williamson Palmer; "In Deep Abyss," by George Ohnet; "The Real Latin Quarter of Paris," by F. Berkeley Smith; "The Princess Cynthia," by Marguerite Bryant; "King Midas," by Upton Sinclair; "The Trans-

"The Color of His Soul," by Zoe Anderson Norris; "The Sandals," by Z. Grennell.

A. C. Armstrong & Son, New York

We believe it will be hardly questioned that George Adam Smith's "Modern Criticism and the Preaching of the Old Testament" is the



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most important theological work for 1901. His new map of Palestine has already met with such success that we are still unable to fill all our orders. The series of "Christian Study Manuals," in four volumes, including "The Early Church: Its History and Literature," by Prof. James Orr, D. D., "Ruling Ideas of Our Lord," by Rev. C. F. D'Arcy, D. D., Dean of Belfast, "Protestant Principles," by Rev. J. Munro Gibson, D. D., "Religions of Bible Lands," by Rev. Prof. Margoliouth, will, we think, also be of considerable interest. Three other noteworthy volumes are: "The Progress of Dogma," by Prof. James Orr, D. D.; "The Church's One Foundation: Christ and Recent Criticism," by Rev. W. Robertson Nicoll, L.L. D.; "Studies of the Portrait of Christ," by Geo. Matheson, D. D.

Methodist Publishing House, Toronto

Among the more important of our publications in the present year, other than works of fiction, are: "Old Testament Sacrifices," by Rev. D. McKenzie; "The Making of a Christian," by Rev. John MacLean, Ph. D.; "A Day's Song," by J. Stuart Thomson; "Up from Slavery" (Canadian edition), Booker T. Washington; "Canadian Essays: Critical and Historical," by Thomas O'Hagan, Ph.D.; "Song Waves," by Theodore H. Rand, D. C. L. The best-selling books, as you may be prepared to hear, are those classed as fiction. The leaders of this year are Canadian editions of the following: "The Man from Glengarry," Ralph Connor; "Tarry Thou Till I Come," George Croly; "D'ri and I," Irving Bacheller; "The Good Red Earth," Eden Phillpotts; "The Outcasts," W. A. Fraser; "The Lion's Whelp," Amelia A. Barr.

The more important of our forthcoming books are: "Tecumseh: A Drama, and Canadian Poems," by Charles Mair; "Patriotic Song: An Anthology of Patriotic Verse of England and her Colonies," edited by Arthur Stanley; "Better Lives for Common People," by Rev. John MacLean, Ph. D.; "Types of Canadian Women," by Henry J. Morgan, author of "Canadian Men and Women of the Time," new stories by Marie Corelli and by Agnes C. Laut, author of "Lords of the North." The best-selling book of the year in Canada, though but recently issued, is by a Canadian writer—Ralph Connor's "The Man from Glengarry." Our first edition was 10,000, and we are putting on the press a second edition of the same number.



SENATOR CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW

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People's Series," "Literatures of the World Series," the "Great Commanders Series," etc.

Noyes, Platt & Company, Boston

As to our most noteworthy books for the year, we would say that they are as follows: "Mr. Munchausen," an account of his recent adventures, by John Kendrick Bangs, embellished with fifteen full-page pictures in eight colors by Peter Newell; "Mother Goose's Menagerie," by Carolyn Wells, with twelve full-page pictures in eight colors by Peter Newell; "American Mural Painting," a study of the

figuration of Miss Philura," by Florence Morse Kingsley. On general topics some other new books are: "The Affirmative Intellect," by Charles Ferguson; "Miracles of Missions," by Arthur T. Pierson, D. D.; "Gloria Deo," an undenominational hymnal for all services of the church; "Hirsh's Tabulated Digest of the Divorce Laws of the United States," by Hugo Hirsh.

A partial list of our forthcoming publications includes: "Captain Jinks," by Ernest Crosby; "Under My Own Roof," by Adelaide L. Rouse; "The Black Cat Club," by James D. Caruthers;

BOOKS WHICH HAVE INFLUENCED ME MOST

Rev. D. A. Whedon, D. D.

I am asked to name the few books which have most influenced my life. I think, perhaps, these: Wesley's "Sermons;" Fletcher's "Checks;" the biographies of William Bramwell, John Smith, and Stephen Olin; Arthur's "Tongue of Fire;" the Greek New Testament; and the Methodist Discipline.

East Greenwich, R. I.

Rev. William R. Clark, D. D.

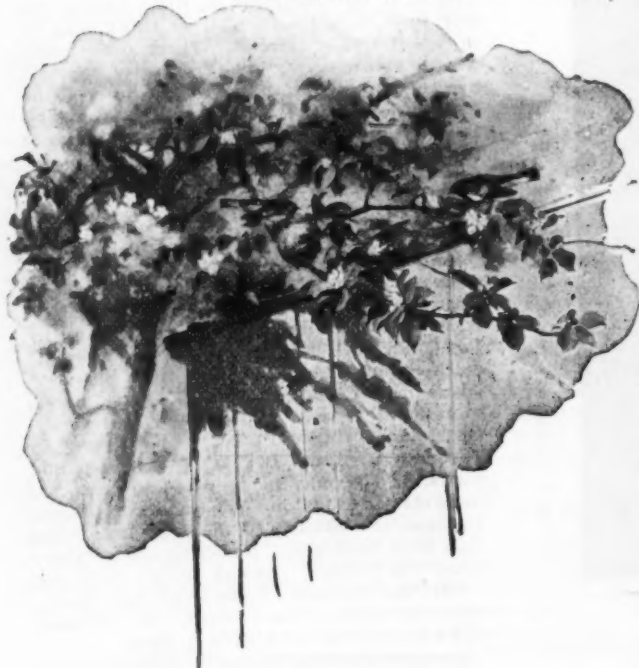
Bible; Methodist Hymn-book; "Hymns of the Ages;" William Carvosso; Upham's "Interior Life;" Steele's "Love Enthroned;" Pilgrim's Progress; Wesley's "Sermons;" Stevens' "History of Methodism;" Stanley's "Jewish Church;" Farrar's "Life of St. Paul;" Olin's "Sermons and Lectures;" Bushnell's "Christian Nurture;" Mercier's "Natural Goodness;" Emerson's "Essays;" Webster's Speeches; Morrell's "History of Philosophy;" Hamilton's "Metaphysics;" McCosh on the "Intuitions;" Sherlock on "Divine Providence;" White's "Democracy of Christianity;" Horton on "Inspiration;" Bowne's "Theism;" Clarke's "Outlines of Theology;" Rishell's "Foundations of the Christian Faith;" Shakespeare, Tennyson, Longfellow, Shelley, Wordsworth, Whittier, Lives of Wilbur Fisk, Thomas Chalmers, Abraham Lincoln, Henry Drummond, David Livingstone, Phillips Brooks, and Booker T. Washington.

Cambridge, Mass.

Rev. Daniel Steele, D. D.

Aside from the Bible, the four books which have influenced my life in the highest degree from childhood up to the present are: Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress;"

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Plato's "Dialogues;" Wesley's "Sermons;" Butler's "Analogy." If I should add a fifth book, it would be Mozley on "Miracles."

Milton, Mass.

Rev. Joseph Pullman, D. D.

As a boy, Cooper's "Tales;" as a youth, Carvosso, Bramwell, H. F. Martyn; in college, Stevens' "Methodism," Tennyson;

as young preacher, Stanley's "Dr. Arnold," Robertson, Bushnell, F. D. Maurice; later, Dörner, Rothe, Julius Müller, Schaff, Wordsworth, "Old Testament in Jewish Church;" in art, Jarves and Lübke; in Bible study, Dean Alford, Conybeare and Howson.

Stamford, Conn.

Prof. C. T. Winchester

The Bible; the Methodist Hymn-book; the poetry of William Wordsworth and Robert Browning; and the dramas of William Shakespeare. I am inclined to add Hullah's "Collection of Old Songs," and Palgrave's "Golden Treasury of Lyric Poetry." I have read once a great many books that informed, directed, inspired me; the foregoing are the books I read over and over again. There are others like them; but I put these first.

Wesleyan University.

President Henry A. Buttz

In response to your kind inquiry I would say that in my boyhood I was greatly impressed by a book then current, Nelson's "Cause and Cure of Infidelity;" at a later period by "Bledsoe's Theodicy," also by Butler's "Analogy." Other great books have impressed me strongly since then, but outside of the Sacred Scriptures none have been so formative as those I have mentioned.

Drew Theological Seminary.

Rev. M. J. Talbot, D. D.

Of those authors who have most influenced my life in the various lines of thought and action these are, perhaps, most prominent: In theology, Bishop Butler, John Wesley, Richard Watson, John Fletcher, Horace Bushnell; in literature, historical, Hume, Macaulay, D'Aubigné, Bancroft, Prescott; as to language and style, the Bible and Shakespeare, Cooper, Irving, Scott, Dickens. The undistinguished multitude, read in a long series of years, have no memorial herein.

Providence, R. I.

Prof. H. C. Sheldon

Aside from the Bible, books have been to me like an ever-moving procession. One group has been relatively prominent for a quadrennium or two, and then another group has succeeded. To select for special mention a few out of the great number which have made an appreciable contribution to the furnishing of mind or heart would seem to me to involve the drawing of somewhat arbitrary and invidious distinctions.

Boston University.

Prof. C. W. Rishell

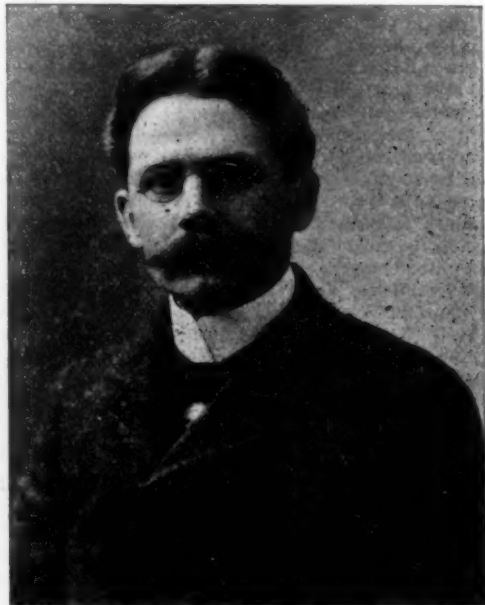
It is, perhaps, universally true that great books make the deepest impressions upon one in comparatively early years when the mind is just awakening to the problems of life and thought, and that, once these problems become familiar, no book ever again seems to contribute so much to our development. At least it has been so with me. Of many earlier books I mention the following: In religion, Arthur's "Tongue of Fire;" in theology, Butler's "Analogy;" in science,

the Duke of Argyll's "Reign of Law;" in history, Lecky's "History of European Morals;" while for ideals of duty Ruskin was my chief teacher.

Boston University.

Rev. William A. Quayle, D. D.

The Bible; Shakespeare; Wesley's "Journals" and "Sermons;" Boswell's "Johnson;" Burke; Emerson's "Essays;" Edmund Spenser; Milton's prose



"Wild Life Near Home."

DALLAS LORE SHARP

and poetry; "Ring and the Book;" Tennyson; "The Newcomes;" "Tale of Two Cities;" "Biglow Papers;" Coleridge; "Cloister and Hearth;" Beecher's and Robertson's "Sermons;" and Newman's "Apologia Mea Vita."

Kansas City, Mo.

Rev. T. Prescott Frost, D. D.

The English Bible and the English Dictionary. After these the deluge. I am not aware that any book or writer has been in any sense epoch-making in my life. Indeed, it would be as impossible to name the books which have helped or influenced me most as to mention the beefsteaks which have nourished me most. In literature, Shakespeare, Ruskin, Emerson, Wordsworth, Whittier, and many others have provided green pastures. Beyschlag and Bruce may be mentioned among a score of helpers in the interpretation of the New Testament. Parkman and Fiske have done more than any other historical writer, perhaps, in teaching me the art of seeing facts and relations in the march of human events. For the charm of blessed companionship with congenial spirits I am especially indebted to John Woolman's "Journal" and the "Letters" of James Smetham.

Newark, N. J.

Rev. James Mudge, D. D.

Todd's "Student's Manual" did much to form my habits of study and shape my college career. Fénelon's "Christian Counsel" and Upham's "Life of Fénelon and Madame Guyon" were of unspeakable benefit to me in exalting my standard of spiritual things, and are among the few books that I have read repeatedly. The Sermons of F. W. Robertson and Horace Bushnell gave me an intellectual stimulus which was of great value. Archbishop Whateley, as much as any one, taught me to think with close discrimination. His "Annotations on Bacon's Essays" are of priceless value. The "Dialogues o

Plato" also impressed the supreme importance of definition. "Missionary Heroes and Martyrs" largely aided in my decision to devote my life to the expansion of Christ's kingdom. The Bible, of course, most of all.

Webster, Mass.

Rev. Wallace MacMullen, D. D.

"These books have influenced me: "Ecce Homo;" Emerson's "Essays;" Carlyle—"Hero Worship" and "Sartor Resartus;" John Fiske's philosophical works; Bushnell's "Sermons;" Phillips Brooks' "Sermons;" Allen's "Continuity of Christian Thought;" Hatch—"Influence of Greek Ideas and Usages on the Christian Church;" Ramsay—"St. Paul, Traveller and Roman Citizen;" Browning's Poems.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. Charles W. Holden

The Methodist Hymnal—an influence for praise; the Book of Common Prayer—an influence for reverence; Hanna's "Life of Christ"—an influence for simplicity; "Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin"—an influence for public service; Ruskin's "Modern Painters"—an influence for the beauty of truth.

Dorchester, Mass.

Rev. Dr. D. Dorchester, Jr.

Rollin's "Ancient History" and Abbott's histories were much with me in my early years. Scott's novels introduced me to the great world of romance. Daniel Webster's plea in the Girard will case, though not a book, did much to correct certain skeptical tendencies. Shakespeare's dramas and Goethe's "Faust" had a decided ethical as well as literary influence. Gervinus' and Snider's Commentaries were very helpful. Tennyson and Browning have done much to form my philosophy of life. Balzac is my constant admiration. Robertson is my model as a preacher. Maurice I read with much profit. Griffith's "Spiritual Life" suits me better than any other book on that subject. Keim's "Jesus of Nazara," though far from satisfactory, has taught me more than any other similar book.

St. Louis, Mo.

Rev. F. C. Haddock, D. D.

"Metaphysics," Borden P. Bowne; "The Place of Christ in Modern Theology," Principal A. M. Fairbairn; "Poems," Robert Browning; certain health-books by Edmonde Shaftesbury.

Lynn, Mass.

Rev. Daniel Dorchester, D. D.

Hale's "Chronology;" Seaman's "Progress of Nations;" Fletcher's "Checks;" "Life of Fletcher;" Ueberweg's "History of Philosophy;" "Bibliotheca Sacra;" Watson's "Institutes;" Whedon's "Commentaries."

West Roxbury, Mass.

—Knowledge of literature goes, of course, with knowledge of language, for literature is merely spoken words transferred to paper. And just as much as they need to know the language, men and women need to know the literature. It crowds around us. In the morning as we read our paper, throughout the business of the day, in the family circle at home, the privileges of literature continually are offering themselves. You can't even talk of the weather without touching it. — M. C. AYRES, editor *Boston Advertiser*.

"Leaf From a Pastor's Diary"

CHAPLAIN D. R. LOWELL, D. D.

I HAVE just read an editorial in last week's ZION'S HERALD of more than ordinary interest to me—interest because I know how blessed is the work spoken of, by personal experience, and because it is the kind of work much performed and little known by the public, as our faithful pastors are too modest to speak of their tender min-



DR. HENRY VAN DYKE

Author of "The Ruling Passion," "Fisherman's Luck," "Little Rivers," etc.

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istrations. By calling attention to it and causing it to be read more widely, I am convinced that much good will be accomplished. I refer to the editorial on page 1514, entitled, "Leaf from a Pastor's Diary."



"I AM THE KEEPER OF THE LIGHT"

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Such experiences are not uncommon among our faithful, godly pastors, but the people generally know little or nothing about them. While ministers of other denominations undoubtedly do much of this kind of work, yet it has always seemed to me that our Methodist pastors do much more than pastors of other churches. The genius and spirit of Methodism fit our ministers to do

this kind of work most easily and efficiently, and the public is quick to discover this and not slow to call upon them when such services are needed. It is the glory of our ministry that it is ever ready to perform just such blessed deeds of comfort and helpfulness.

I remember well how, in my pastorate, most of my time was taken up with such service. It seemed to me that it was my lot to be called all over the city in this class of work. I speak of it not to glorify self, but to glorify God. I never performed more blessed work than that spoken of in this article, none that I enjoyed more, none that gave me greater strength or more of comfort, none that yielded more lasting results, and none that better illustrated the power, fitness, and efficiency of the religion of Jesus Christ.

To be suddenly called, as was this pastor, to deal with a dying man in the presence of the family and a room full of curious though perhaps sympathizing spectators, is a task most delicate and difficult, yet which presents an opportunity, if wisely used, of accomplishing untold good results. Blessed the pastor who is always ready for such work, blessed he who is willing and eager to perform it when presented! Heaven's day of revelation will give us many surprises as a result of such labors, and some faithful pastors, too modest on earth to speak of their good deeds, will have many stars for their crowns, stars gathered from just such souls snatched as brands from the burning.

Middletown, Conn.

A Most Abstemious President

THERE is another class of our fellow-citizens, women mostly, to whom we may properly address a serious word. Why do you not, dear sisters of temperance, assume that the man who has reached the highest office in the country is a man of sound sense, discretion, and capacity for self-government? Why do you address him freely as not one of you would dream of addressing him if he were merely a private gentleman, having made no sacrifices for his country, having never rendered a public service, having never displayed any of the ability without which no man attains to the high places in this republic? Do you think, because he is your President, that he is, therefore, your pupil in morals, and the proper object of insults which you would not offer to any one if you reflected a moment on their true character? All which is apropos of letters which are received at the White House by the President, who happens to be one of the most abstemious of men—although that does not change the character of the letter expressing deep regret that "we have a wine-bibber in the White House," a remark which is not only inexcusably ill-mannered, but positively untrue. Temperance is a noble virtue, much too noble to be left in charge of the writers of such rude missives as invade the White House whenever a peering critic spies a wine-glass on the table. — HENRY LOOMIS NELSON, Washington correspondent *Boston Herald*.

A Hundred Virtues

Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do that day which must be done, whether you like it or not. Being forced to work, and forced to do your best, will breed in you temperance and self-control, diligence and strength of will, cheerfulness and content, and a hundred virtues which the idle never know. — Charles Kingsley.

THE FAMILY

A FINISHED PAGE

When the last word is written,
And the final word is said;
When the last pang is over,
And you sit beside the dead,
With your heart dumb and smitten,
As you watch beside her bed;

You'd give the whole world, then,
For just one chance more
To say, "Dear, I love you;"
To tell her o'er and o'er
That her look was a blessing
When she stood by the door.

That you never meant to hurt her;
That deep down in your soul
There was truth to her, turning
As the needle to the pole;
That without her, life was empty;
And with her, it was whole.

But you let the days drift onward,
Till there came the last day;
And she was called to heaven,
And you had here to stay;
And you're wrapt in numb silence;
For there's naught to say.

Since the final word is written,
And the final word said,
And you're sitting, dumb and smitten,
Close by your darling's bed,
And your darling lies there sleeping —
Fast asleep; for she is dead.

Yet, it may be she's nearer
Than she ever was before;
That her white robe trails along the
Darkness of the shadowy floor;
That her swift forgiveness waits you
Just beyond death's iron door.

—From "Lyrics of Love," by MARGARET E. SANGSTER. (Fleming H. Revell Co.)

SIMPLIFYING LIFE

MRS. OZORA S. DAVIS.

WITH persistent discord there sounds through the conversation, letters, and very lives of women today one never-varying complaint—"I am so busy! I haven't time enough!" The life of the majority of women today is too complex,

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and we all are seeking the magical secret which will enable us to make our own more simple. Probably no one charm would suffice to bring to pass the common miracle for us all. But different view-

points are often helpful, and the following may be worth while as one of many.

It is not because we are really busier than our grandmothers were that the struggle is so intense, but because we are doing so many things of different sort. Their fingers were always busy with necessary work which could not be ignored. If they could have looked forward to our day, they would doubtless have exclaimed with wonder at the leisure



MRS. MARGARET E. SANGSTER
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which we would seem to them to enjoy. The character of our work has changed. We are partly responsible for our own troubles. One thing after another has drawn us steadily into the current, until at last we are in the midst of swift waters, and escape seems impossible. The solution of the difficulty does not consist in escape into idleness, but in simplifying the complex and conflicting character of our work.

The solution of simplicity has been more perfectly realized by men than by women. We have been of necessity bound so long to the duties of family life that we have not yet mastered the philosophy of living which has been more fully comprehended by our husbands and brothers in their freer choice of occupations and pleasures. They have learned that specialization and division of labor is the secret of simplicity, while we, in our newly-acquired range and leisure are seeking to do everything. We are not content to become thorough and scientific house-keepers simply; we must also be social leaders, ardent church workers, artistic home dressmakers, amateur artists and musicians, besides belonging to two or three clubs, which perhaps conduct a charity scheme, make a special study of

Elizabethan literature and the history of Greek philosophy, and study French and German by the conversational method.

Now two or three of these things are probably worth while, four or five may be

allowable to women of alert minds and good health, but ten — never! Even Shakespeare would have stood astonished before the ambitious plans for work and culture attempted by the modern woman.

The secret of simplicity does not lie in abandonment so much as it does in co-ordination. To choose one simple aim, and then to set aside all claims which are not actually necessary to its realization — this is the secret of simplifying life. What that one aim shall be, must be determined according to the tastes, talents and moral conviction of each person. The mother with children to care for has her God-given mission already. She is indeed peculiarly fortunate. There can be no question as to her great duty, and a nobler could not be found the wide world over. The solution is equally simple for my friend whose great power and opportunity lie in her wonderful voice and musical talent.

But there are so many others who, alas! make no such conscious choice of the one aim, but are led by circumstances. They do this and that, whatever the last club or the newest fad or their special friend may urge upon them. Not all do this, however. There comes to mind one woman of wealth who, having no children of her own, is caring for a little girl whom she has taken into her home. Another has devoted herself to china painting, and added her art as a contribution to the forces which make for the world's beauty. And still another, quite unconstrained by poverty, has become a successful milliner and maker of dainty neck-wear.

And what would the church do if it were not for these single-hearted and tireless workers? One friend with money and time is devoting herself to sustaining the missionary society in a small church; while another woman of rare talent and social tact has brought her splendid energies to bear upon the raising of a heavy church debt.

Women of leisure and moderate wealth today have before them peculiar privileges and responsibilities, greater, in many ways, than ever have been presented before to so large a number of women. Education, time and opportunity, all are theirs; and, with a simpler life wrought out by a single aim, they can accomplish almost anything they will. They ought not to become narrow in sympathy or selfish in endeavor. They ought as never before to strive to simplify their life about some great purpose, not for their own sake alone, but supremely for the sake of the world that they can serve so richly.

Newtonville, Mass.

— A bookseller in Cleveland advertised for a porter. A big muscular Irishman walked into the shop and glanced round. Finally, his eye rested on a big sign over a table filled with books: "Dickens' works all this week for \$4." The Irishman read it thoughtfully, and then edged toward the front door. The floor-walker asked pleasantly if there was something he

wanted; and the applicant remarked, with a backward glance toward the sign: "Oi come in t' git th' job, but Oi'll not care f'r it. Dickens kin worruk all th' week f'r \$4 if he wants to. Oi'll not. Ye'd better kape him." And the visitor strode vigorously out.

MOTHER'S ROOM

"It is very pretty," said Mrs. Leslie, looking at the newly arranged dressing-table that she had been called to admire, and then letting her eyes wander round the room with all its dainty blue and white finishing. "It all looks so cool and restful."

"Doesn't it?" answered Laura, well pleased. "I call it the 'Blue Room.'"

"And mine is the 'Pink Room,'" laughed merry Beth, turning to her father, who, passing through the hall, had peeped in to see what the three were about. "Laura catches at every bit of pretty blue that she can lay hands upon and bears it off to her bower, while I pounce upon all the pink. Between us, we are like Mr. and Mrs. Spratt—we lick the platter clean."

"I believe you do, if the family pocket-book represents the platter," answered her father, good-naturedly. He was very proud of his bright, handsome girls. "And what might your mother's room be called?"

"Dear me! It hasn't any name," said Laura, with a comical twist of her face; "but it might safely be called the 'left-over room,' for dear, blessed mother takes all the old things and ugly things that 'can be made to do,' and gives all the nice, fresh ones to the girls."

All four laughed, as if the arrangement so truthfully stated were the most natural one in the world. Then the mother turned away. She had some work that must be done before supper, she said. Once in her own room, however, she leaned back in her chair and rested a moment before she drew

that afternoon. She had taken the old sitting-room carpet, so faded and worn that it had taken careful turning and much study to make it even whole. The furniture was all in odd, old-fashioned pieces, which, though comfortable, did not harmonize. There were no frills or dainty cushions, no little decorative arrangements of any sort. She had no time for these, and they would have seemed hopelessly out of place in the general homeliness. Yet she had been a beauty-loving girl; she cared for all bright and pretty things still.

"Only, of course, a mother cares more for

might care for them herself. Neither did she think of it. She only acknowledged to herself that the days had grown to seem rather monotonous, and that she found it hard to shake off a feeling of weariness and depression.

A spool of silk worked a revolution—an innocent little spool of silk dropped upon the stairs, on which the mother, hurrying down to look after the tea table, slipped and fell. The frightened household were at her side in a moment, and found her white and unconscious.

"Carry her to my room," said Laura's trembling voice. "There's a light there."

They laid her gently on the bed in the dainty "Blue Room," and half an hour later the pale face was smiling again, and the bluff family doctor was declaring that "it wasn't half so bad as it might have been. But a lame back and a sprained ankle must keep her quiet for three or four weeks, at least, and you young ladies will have the benefit of running the establishment yourselves."

"Oh! we will take care of the goods and chattels, if you will only mend mother up," declared Beth, with a laugh on her lip, but with tears in her eyes.

No invalid could have had more tender care; but the unwonted duties kept the young housekeepers busy, and they remarked regretfully on having to leave their patient so much to herself.

"But I don't mind," she answered, one day. "I'm not suffering now, you know. I can read and think, and it rests me just to be in this lovely room and look round me."

"There! that's what we ought to have known long ago," said Laura, as she went down stairs again. "She never shall go back to that ugly, diugy room again—never!"

"But you can't make her consent to keep yours, Laura," said Beth, doubtfully. "You know she won't be happy that way."

"Then we will make hers into a new one," answered Laura, resolutely. "Something shall be done."

And so the loving little plot began. There was not much money to spare, but Beth suddenly decided that she could get along nicely without a new dress, and Laura said that since mother was sick she should not be able to take her little trip to the country, anyway. Those bits of economy gave a small fund to start with, and there were ingenuity and skillful, willing fingers to do the rest.

"It seemed as if the very vines in the hanging basket knew that they were intended for mother's room, and grew accordingly," Laura said.

The father was taken into the secret and lent his aid in carrying out the plan, and the busy days were happy ones.

"I am well enough now to go back to my own room, and give up yours to you again," Mrs. Leslie had said several times, and one day the proposition was accepted.

Was there just the faintest breath of a sigh as they drew her chair to the familiar door? If there was, it was lost the next moment in an exclamation of pleasure as her eye caught sight of the unfamiliar beauty of the room before her.

"But I don't understand. What does it all mean?" she said.

"It means," began Beth, "it means"—and then she choked and left the sentence unfinished.

"It means—do you remember those rag carpets Auntie Dill used to make?" asked Laura, dropping on a hassock at her mother's feet. "Some of them had the dark rags all in one stripe and the bright ones all in another, and some of them were all mixed through, what she called 'hit or miss.' Well, this means that our family



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the mending basket toward her. It might have been because she was tired, or because she saw it in such sharp contrast with the one she had just left, but her own room looked unusually plain, almost shabby,

body must make, and she had taken these upon herself so quietly that nobody noticed, and had pushed the girls so constantly into life's pleasant things that even her husband had almost forgotten that she

weaving after this isn't going to put the darkness all in one place and the brightness all in another; it's going to be an even 'hit or miss,' mother dear. God bless you!" — RUTH CADY, in *Morning Star*.

THE BABY WENT TO BOY-LAND

He sat on my knee at evening,
The boy who is "half past three,"
And the clear blue eyes from his sun-browned face
Smiled happily up to me.
I held him close as the twilight fell,
And called him "My dear little son."
Then I said: "I have wondered for many days
Where it is that my baby's gone.

"I'd a baby once in a long white gown,
Whom I rocked just as I do you.
His hair was as soft as yellow silk,
And his eyes were like violets blue.
His little hands were like pink-tipped flowers —
See, yours are so strong and brown!
He has slipped away and is lost, I fear,
Do you know where my baby's gone?"

Did my voice half break as the thoughts would come
Of the sweet and sacred days
When motherhood's first joys were mine?
Was a shade of regret on my face?
For close round my neck crept a sturdy arm,
And the boy who is "half past three"
Said: "The baby — he went to Boy-land,
And didn't you know? he's me!"

— Philadelphia North American.

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES

JEANNETTE M. DOUGHERTY.

PYROGRAPHY takes the lead in Christmas novelties this year. Every article that can be made of wood, one will find for this decoration. Some of them have the pattern traced upon them. In one large store a young man sat at a small table doing the work. The odor of burnt wood attracted great crowds, who stayed round him to ask questions, to give orders, and to purchase his beautiful ware. Burnt wood is the fad of the season, and many useful articles are shown in it.

Burnt Wood Tinted

in water colors makes the most effective design. Bright strong colors are better in contrast with the dark wood than delicate shades. The bright scarlet of poppies with green leaves is good. Conventional borders are painted in bits of gay colors; enamel is also used with good effect. The following are some of the articles: blotter pads, candlesticks, square and circular picture frames, pipe-racks, book-racks, match-safes, fancy boxes of all kinds and sizes, scrap baskets, shallow bowls, plaques and panels. The book-racks are both useful and ornamental. The shallow bowls are nice for nuts, fruit, bonbons, and a variety of purposes. The plaques are large, with tinted figures upon them — a fancy head, or some Oriental beauty. The edge is finished with deep border, plain or tinted. The plaques are very striking in their decorative qualities. A handsome panel had a cluster of California grapes painted in natural colors, the pink, purple and white.

Burnt Leather

goods follow closely in favor with pyrography. In these, however, there is not much besides the cushions, except bags, pouches, and little fancy articles that can

be made with the needle. But the leather cushion is seen in every display of fancy goods. The Indian head is the favorite decoration for it. On some of these the head is painted, but usually it is burnt in. The chief with his head-gear of feathers and necklace of ornaments makes a good subject for decorative purposes. Some of the leather covers are finished with a fringe,

prettiest was a wreath of poppies tied over a puff made of three shades of green.

Lithograph Subjects

on cloth is one of the new things in cushion covers. It seems better taste, however, to have Queen Louise decorate the wall rather than the sofa pillow. The Gibson figures, too, are shown in great variety for cushion



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the square being left large enough to cut up from the edge four or five inches. The strip of the fringe is about half an inch wide. Above this small slits are cut in both upper and under cover and a strip of leather run through the slits to fasten the two pieces over the pillow. Colored leather is used a great deal, especially plain green and bright red. The green is very pretty, with a conventional design painted in bright red with a touch of black. Scarlet poppies are also a good design for the green leather.

The New Cushion

is a circular one. The round top is made with deep points, which are tied over a full silk puff that covers the edge. Poppies, sunflowers, daisies, roses and holly come in this style. The design is either a wreath or a single flower on the denim, worked in heavy silk. A big white daisy on plain green had the points tied with green ribbon over a yellow silk puff. A rose top was tied over a shaded pink puff. One of the

tops. All the cushions with figures are finished either with a heavy cord or with big pompom of silk at the corners. In the Oriental squares, the printed silks, satins, and velours, the covers are made up plain, the only finishing touch being to turn in the corners and gather them slightly. No white linen covers to be embroidered are shown this year, and scarcely any painted satin tops. The aim in fancy work seems to combine utility with beauty. The denim and granite cloth come in all colors, with the patterns printed in harmonious shades ready for outlining or couching in heavy silk. A real

Christmas Pillow

has a wreath of holly on green denim, with the points tied over a scarlet puff. Something of the same design was also used on a square top. The square cushion was finished with a double ruffle — a wide satin ribbon of plain green put over a scarlet satin which extended half an inch below it. There are a few cushions made up with

ribbon ruffles, but not many. One of the ruffled cushions had two shades of green used in the frill. The top was of green, embroidered in clusters of daisies.

Tinted Fruit Pieces

are something new in embroidery. Round table covers, centre pieces and doilies are shown on a heavy, unbleached linen. The patterns are stamped in natural colors, and only required simple outlining in heavy, colored silks. One of the prettiest seen was a wreath of cherries and green leaves. Grapes and apples are also seen in these patterns. Another style of circular

Table Cover

is finished around the edge with a lace that has a raised pattern in it. These covers are in white and colored linens—blue embroidered in white, unbleached linen worked in scarlet, green in shaded pink, and white embroidered in all white.

Fancy Boxes

are made by covering plain card-board boxes with the fine striped cretonnes that come in blue and white. These are convenient for toilet table or dresser.

Swedish Art Work

is shown in many of the stores. These are all kinds of baskets with gay painted figures on them, and small articles made of wood and decorated in the same manner. Fancy baskets of Indian workmanship are shown in great profusion. The counters are fragrant with the sweet-scented grasses used in weaving. Besides the ordinary purposes for a dainty basket, they are used instead of boxes for candy, bonbons and fruit.

Dainty Needle-books

are made of brass rings over which knitting-silk has been crocheted. Six rings fastened together in a circle, with one in the centre, form the side. Through the delicate spiderwork of the silk crocheting one catches a glimpse of the flannel leaves of the book. The covers are tied with narrow blue ribbon matching the silk, and a bow finishes the back where the two sides are joined together.

Pretty Work-Bags

are made of fine striped cretonnes—blue, green, pink, and lavender with white. These are made after the style of the old-fashioned shawl-strap, or bag, with the round ends. New laundry bags are made of a wider striped cretonne in which the goods are used crosswise instead of the stripes running up and down. The prettiest work-bags seen were made of shallow, heart-shaped baskets. Around the top was stitched a strip of silk five or six inches deep. At the top edge of the silk was a shirr for ribbon, leaving a half-inch frill above the shirr. Made up in green, delicate pink, or gold, these baskets are charming. Three button bags on one draw string is another novelty. The little bags are made of white Indian linen with a colored lawn, blue, pink, and yellow, about two inches deep at the top of the bag, using one color on each. There are also small round and oval bags made of novelty ribbon. A round piece of card-board is covered with ribbon, and around it is sewed a strip of ribbon with a draw-string in the top. In the oval shapes a small bag is fitted between the two pieces of card-board that form the sides of the bag. Baby ribbon is used for draw-

strings and bows. The striped ribbons are pretty for these bags.

Small Articles

are shown in aluminum, white metal, silver, and antique silver. A tea ball is a useful article, and makes a pretty gift. There are long-necked perfume bottles with silver tops. One of these filled with smelling salts would be acceptable to one who knows the value of smelling salts in relieving nervous headache. For traveling bags



MARY DEVEREUX

Author of "UP AND DOWN THE SANDS OF GOLD"

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there are leather cases holding bottles for medicine.

A Photograph Holder

is made of a strip of bristol board eighteen or twenty inches long and about four inches deep. Four pieces of heavy water-color paper cut in a fancy point are then pasted at regular intervals on this card. The pieces of water-color paper must extend over the card-board about an inch at each edge. These fancy shaped pieces are then decorated. One seen was decorated in yellow, and four narrow ribbons in white and gold were fastened to the top edge for hanging. The pictures slip in under the decorated pieces and are held in place by them. This makes a dainty gift for a young girl's room, and is very ornamental.

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The Need of Water-Drinking

A WELL-KNOWN nerve specialist has said that "all neurasthenics [that is, people with unhealthy nerves] have desiccated nerves and suffer from an insufficiency of fluid in the tissues of the body." It is probable that we all, in more or less degree, even when not conscious of any definite symptoms, are suffering in some part of our system for the lack of enough fluid, and especially of enough pure, cool water.

We know that so nicely is the human body adjusted and adapted to its uses that one part cannot suffer without all suffering. If the nerves are desiccated, or dried through lack of fluid, then it is certain that other tissues are also suffering from the same lack, and that the wheels of the wonderful machinery are being clogged by reason of waste matter which is not washed away.

We see by this that water does for us a

three-fold service: It feeds, it washes, and it carries away the cinders of the body furnace; and through the want of it we are exposed to many and great dangers. The tissues become too dry, the blood is thick and its flow sluggish, and the retained waste of the body sets up a condition which the doctors call "auto-intoxication," or self-poisoning. This condition may give rise to almost any known symptoms, from a pimple to heart failure, and is really responsible for most of the semi-invalids with whom the world is largely peopled.

To obtain the best results from water-drinking certain rules should be observed. People do not all need the same amount, and it may take a little experimenting to find out just how much should be taken in individual cases. It has been stated by some physicians that five or six pints should be taken during the twenty-four hours. Of this only a moderate quantity should be taken with the meals. It is a mistake to take no water with a meal, but it is perhaps a greater mistake to wash food down with water, especially with ice-water.

The best time for water-drinking is at night and early in the morning. It is well to form the habit of slowly sipping, during the bath and while dressing, two or three glasses of cool—not ice-cold—water. Two or three more may be sipped at bed-time, and again two or three glasses an hour or two before luncheon and before dinner.

In a very short time the value of this habit will become apparent in the resultant general improvement in digestion, temper, and appearance. — *Youth's Companion*.

BOYS AND GIRLS

A MENDING DAY

OLIVE E. DANA.

IT had begun to rain at midnight, and at half-past seven the hurrying drops were still falling.

"No school today, that's certain," said Mamma Hale, glancing up from the oatmeal she was stirring at the leaden skies outside. "The whistle will sound in fifteen minutes; and tomorrow is Saturday! I believe I would far rather have the children in school—these off-days aren't good for them, nor for me either. They just don't know what to do with themselves. I heard them complaining of it before they were fairly out of bed. And I can't think of anything for them to do, either."

"I can," said Cousin Alice, who had come into the kitchen to make a fairy omelette. "That is, with your permission. 'Twill make some trouble, I'm afraid, and a little expense. I'll see to that, though, and it's worth while. Besides, we can go out into the work-shop; and 'twill take us all day."

"Dear me! Whatever can it be?" exclaimed Mrs. Hale, smiling and curious. "To take all day, and to be done in the work-shop, and you'll be responsible for the outlay! You won't, though, my dear. It's enough for you to plan and oversee it. And I know it's worth while if you recommend it!"

"It's worth trying, anyway," said Alice. "Listen, and tell me if you don't think so."

And while the omelette fell a little, and the people at table wondered why breakfast was not forthcoming, Cousin Alice told her happy thought, to which mamma

listened with approval, making, meanwhile, a proviso or two of her own, but heartily concurring in the general arrangements.

As mamma had predicted, the storm-



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signal sounded before the meal was done, and it was when the children were dismally bewailing the prospect of a long, tedious day indoors, of which the season had already brought its full quota, that the new project was unfolded to them. The idea was hailed with enthusiasm, and in furtherance of it the morning's tasks were accomplished with incredible celerity. Jonas, the man, was then sent to the store for some articles which Alice had foreseen would be needed, and of which she had already made a list. It included glue, mucilage, tacks of various sizes, gilding, varnish, walnut stain, and white and colored enamel. Some of the articles were checked off, however, as being already in the house.

A fire had been lighted in the workshop, and thither were presently carried by the children, with much glee, all sorts of unused household belongings, in all stages of dilapidation and defacement. There were handleless pitchers and broken platters and leaky tins from the pantries; seatless chairs, broken-down foot-stools, legless stands, tattered window-screens, and even a cracked mirror, an ancient engraving or two much yellowed by time, and a half-dozen or more battered books. Each article was carefully examined, and its possibilities pronounced upon by a committee of two — mamma and Cousin Alice — before the work of renovation was begun. This done, a division of labor was effected, Royal and Fred taking the tasks which demanded the use of hammer and nails, Florence and May presiding over the little pots of glue, paint and enamel, Jonas electing to "tend to the soldering," and Alice and Mrs. Hale reserving their services for emergencies and difficult

cases, or for such bits of work as should not come into any of the departments named.

All day long the sound of eager voices, now rising in good-natured discussion, now subsiding into a pleasant hum of contented agreement or willing approval, as some piece of work was satisfactorily completed and submitted for inspection, mingled with the light blows of the hammer, the buzz of the deftly used saw, or the discordant scrape of the sand-paper whose use Florence was learning to appreciate as she applied the glossy finish. And five o'clock, and six, found them all still absorbed in their work.

"I guess we'll have to make another day of it," said Jonas, regretfully, becoming aware that it was "chore-time."

"Let's!" echoed the girls, eagerly.

"Of course we can't leave it all as it is," added Royal.

"I think it's delightful! How ever did Cousin Alice think of it?" asked Florence. "Who would imagine that such forlorn, disreputable, utterly used-up things as some of these were, could ever be evolved into the really useful and convenient — yes, I shall say it, Roy — almost beautiful furnishings we have here already? And we're not done yet — nearly."

She stooped to move an old tea-poy, glistening with pearly enamel, from too close proximity to a straight-backed rocker, made comely with a coat of delft-blue, whose cushions Alice was recovering with denim to match, as she spoke; and touched warily the frame of the antique mirror, from which the glass had been removed and to which

familiar photograph of "The Child Jesus in the Temple," and, satisfied with the setting, passed it to Fred to make secure.

"I've been wanting that in sight for months," she explained, "but couldn't manage a frame for it till I had this inspiration today. I've some others, too, when there is time to embody them. I don't see, though," she went on, "whatever we are to do with all the things — some that we're going to think most of will only displace similar ones, and the house seems quite full enough already. 'Enough is enough,' as Jonas says. And, fascinating as it is, I don't think we need the things."

"Perhaps some one else does," said Cousin Alice, quietly. "Your mother and I have discussed that question."

"We have places for most of them already," said Mrs. Hale, who was re-covering a Sleepy Hollow chair, with Roy's help. "This chair goes to Auntie Fenn, at the Corners. She doesn't like to rock, and must sit a good deal. The rocker, the foot-stool, the lounge, the two small stands, and some of the pictures, go to the Home; and some of the things Flo has glued so well make it possible for me to put a few serviceable dishes with them. Some of Jonas' tins go there, too; and I know where there's need of a half-dozen more. If you young people want to frame those prints for the Children's Hospital, and fix up the books — they're just the sort to amuse sick folks — or if some other day you'd like to see what you can do with some of these other things for the same purpose, or as good a one" —

"We do! We do! There's lots we can do yet!" they answered together. "There's enough to take us half the summer — rainy days — and do somebody a deal of good, too. What does anybody let anything lie idle or go to waste for, when so many folks need just such things, and a little time and trouble would give them to 'em, ready to use and to keep, and give you more room to breathe in your own



Frontispiece in "AS THE GOOSE FLIES," by Katharine Pyle. Little, Brown & Co., Boston.

a covering of white enamel, relieved with a narrow gilded margin, had been applied earlier in the day. Finding it quite dry, she laid within the frame a copy of the

house besides? — to say nothing of the comfort of giving 'em! Why did we never think of a mending-day before?"

Augusta, Me.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

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EXODUS 12: 1-17.

[Print verses 3-14.]

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THE PASSOVER

I Preliminary

1. **GOLDEN TEXT:** *Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.* — 1 Cor. 5: 7.

2. **DATE:** B. C. 1491 (or B. C. 1300, according to Brugsch), in the month of Abib (also called Nisan), the closing days of March and the first days of April.

3. **PLACE:** The land of Goshen in Egypt.

4. **HOME READINGS:** *Monday* — Exod. 12: 1-10. *Tuesday* — Exod. 12: 11-20. *Wednesday* — Exod. 12: 21-30. *Thursday* — Exod. 12: 31-42. *Friday* — Exod. 13: 3-10. *Saturday* — Mark 14: 12-25. *Sunday* — 1 Pet. 1: 13-21.

II Introductory

An event so momentous in the Hebrew annals as the Exodus from Egypt was not to pass without leaving its mark indelibly stamped on the religious rites and calendar of the nation. The month of release was to be henceforth "the beginning of months," the first in the sacred year. Its annual return was to be commemorated by a festival which should enshrine perpetually all the striking details of their mighty deliverance and of the divine mercy; a festival which, by reason of its atoning and memorial significance, was to be merged into the sacrament of the Supper, an institution which until the end of time should keep in remembrance that "Christ our passover was sacrificed for us" and for the world's redemption.

On the tenth day of the month Abib each householder among the Israelites was bidden to choose a lamb, perfect of its kind, "a male of the first year." If a household were too small to consume the whole, members of a neighboring family were to be invited. The lamb was to be kept apart until the evening of the fourteenth day, and then the selected victims were to be killed at the same hour "by the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel." The household priests were to catch the flowing blood, and with hyssop branch sprinkle it on the lintel and doorposts of the house — the divinely-appointed sign for the destroying angel on that dread night to *pass over* that house on his errand of death. The lamb was then to be roasted whole and eaten "with unleavened bread and bitter herbs," none of it to be left over until morning, but the remnant not eaten to be burned. Particular directions were given, too, as to the manner of eating it: With girded loins and staff in hand, and feet sandaled — equipped for a journey — they were to eat it "in haste." For on that night Jehovah would "execute judgment on all the gods of Egypt," and the firstborn in every house and the firstborn of all cattle would perish. Nothing would avert the fatal stroke but the crimson sign on the doorposts; and the festival was to go down "throughout the generations" as the memorial of the redemptive act to which they owed their national preservation, and

a perpetual reminder of the Lord's power and mercy.

III Expository

3. **All the congregation.** — Murphy translates, "all the assembly," and defines the term as "a definitely-constituted body of men, varying in extent from ten heads of houses to the whole of the men of Israel who were entitled to vote in a regular convention of the people. These were probably all the males above twenty years of age. Between the full assembly and that of the heads of houses was, probably, the representative convention, consisting of the princes of tribes, chiefs of families, elders and officers, each of whom had its well-known province and function. It appears, however, that the term 'elders' was often employed to denote the whole of these classes." In the tenth day. — The plague of locusts lasted from the seventh to the tenth day; and probably from the eleventh to the fourteenth were the days of darkness. The tenth, therefore, was a day of respite, and allowed opportunity for selection. Then, too, "ten is the symbol of completeness." Between the tenth and the fourteenth day there would be opportunity to sanctify themselves for the solemn feast. A lamb for a house (R. V., "household"). — The twelve tribes were divided into families, or classes, and these into "fathers' houses" (smaller classes), and these into separate households. "The single household formed the social unit in the subdivisions of Israel" (Murphy). Jewish tradition required at least ten, and not more than twenty, to form a paschal company.

The arrangement by families looked toward the great fact of the original event — that Egypt was smitten by families. Its influence must have been precious through all the ages of Hebrew history in cementing family ties and sanctifying the family relation (Cowles).

4. 5. **According to his eating** (R. V., "every man's eating"). — The quantity eaten, according to Jewish writers, must be equal at least to the size of an olive. Without blemish — perfect, having no injury or defect, and therefore typical of "the Lamb without blemish or spot," "Christ our passover." A male of the first year — "a male, the son of a year," literally; meaning somewhat under a year in age, or "from a month to a full year" (Murphy). The choice of a male may have been because it represents the male firstborn of Israel. From the sheep or goats. — In later times the custom was to take the young of the sheep only, for this purpose.

6. **Ye shall keep it up** — literally, "it shall be to you for a keeping," that is, singled out, kept apart. Fourteenth day. — The presence of the lamb in the household in the interval would be a visible token of covenant promise and mercy. The whole assembly of the congregation — acting as God's priests and all at the same time — a simultaneous act of sacrifice. Shall kill it — a propitiatory, appointed, symbolical act. Death reigned in Egypt that dread night in the houses of both the Egyptians and the Israelites; only, in the first case, it was the firstborn that died; and in the latter the lamb, which took the place of the firstborn. In the evening — "between the evenings;" according to Geikie, "between the sunset and the appearance of the stars;" but according to Josephus, Maimonides and others, after the evening sacrifice (3 P. M.) and before sunset.

The offering of our Lord on the self-same day is an important point in determining the typical character of the transaction. A remarkable passage in the Talmud says: "It was a famous and old opinion among the ancient Jews, that the day of the new year which was the beginning of the Israelites' deliverance out of

Egypt, should in future time be the beginning of the redemption by the Messiah" (Cook).

7. **Take of the blood.** — It was not merely to flow, it was to be applied. Each householder was to use it for redemptive purposes. Two side posts, etc. — The door was selected because it was the avenue of approach to the house. The posts and lintel (upper crosspiece) were to be smeared, but not the threshold, lest the blood be trampled upon. "The door-leaf itself may have been in many cases wanting, but was always less permanent than the lintel and posts" (Murphy).

That the smearing with blood was to be regarded as an act of expiation is evident from the simple fact that a hyssop bush was used for the purpose (verse 22); for sprinkling with hyssop is never prescribed in the law except in connection with purification; whence the sense of expiation (Lev. 14: 40, seq.; Num. 19: 18, 19). In Egypt the Israelites had no common altar, and for this reason the houses in which they assembled for the Passover were consecrated as altars; and the persons found in them were thereby removed from the stroke of the destroyer (Kell).

8. **They shall eat of the flesh** — "a figure of the participation of pardon, acceptance and full blessedness, consequent upon the atonement being made and the law being satisfied" (Murphy). Roast with fire. — All the details are minutely specified. The lamb was to be roasted whole, thus preserving the flavor and strength of the meat; not a bone of it was to be broken. It was probably held before the fire upon a spit, which in later years and among the Samaritans was cruciform in shape. With unleavened bread — the sign of hasty departure. No leaven was allowed in the houses of the Israelites during the days of the festival. Says Murphy: "Leaven is a mass of sour dough in which decomposition has set in, and is, therefore, the symbol of corruption (1 Cor. 5: 8). Hence unleavened bread is the emblem of purity and life." With bitter herbs — rather, "on bitter herbs," which formed the basis of the meal and symbolized the bitterness of the bondage.

The solemn eating of the lamb by the several families was a further token of their inward obedience and conformity to God's law. The lamb of the first passover was intended not only to save the Israelites by its sprinkled blood, but also to give them strength for their journey by its flesh which they ate. So the atonement of Christ has for us a double object — to redeem us from death, and to strengthen and refresh our souls in the new life of faith (Millington).

9. **Eat not of it raw.** — The directions are very precise. Their haste, or anxiety, must not hinder sufficient cooking. Sudden — "boiled," past participle of "seethe." Head, leg, purtenance (R. V., "the inwards"). — Nothing was to be severed or removed, not even the intestines. Says Jacobus: "No bone was to be broken, as a prophetic symbol of Christ. The whole Christ and the whole church are denoted."

At Gerizim the Samaritan community rushes

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forward, and as the blood flows from the throat of the slaughtered lamb, they dip their fingers in the stream; and each man, woman, and child, even to the child in arms, is marked on the forehead with the red stain. On the cruciform wooden spit — this we know from Justin Martyr was the practice in ancient times, and the Christian spectator on Gerizim starts as he sees it at this day — on the cruciform spit the lamb is left, after the manner of Eastern feasts, to be roasted whole during the remaining hours of the day (A. P. Stanley).

10. **Let nothing remain.** — The lamb was so sacred that what was not eaten must be burned. Not a fragment must be left until the next day, lest it be applied to profane or superstitious uses.

11. **Thus shall ye eat.** — This attitude and attire of haste, necessary for the first observance, was omitted by the Jews in later times, but is scrupulously practiced by the modern Samaritans in their yearly festival. **The Lord's passover** — a festival instituted by God himself to commemorate His sparing mercy. "So ever will the God of judgment pass over the soul marked with the blood of the spotless Lamb" (Newhall).

12. **I will pass.** — The tenth and last plague was to be executed by Jehovah himself without the intervention of Moses. **Man and beast** — an awful and significant judgment, threatening the annihilation of the human and animal race. **Against all the gods of Egypt.** — Their impotence was to be signally demonstrated, and the power of Jehovah was to be magnified. "The bull, the goat, the ram, and other animals were deified by the Egyptians. The king was also regarded as an impersonation of the sun-god" (Murphy). If this Pharaoh was Menephtah, as some of the later Egyptologists maintain, there is a striking confirmation of the truth of this history in the case of the king. A monument records that Menephtah during his life-time lost his eldest son. Says Geikie: "This prince, associated with him on the throne, is commemorated on a colossal statue of his father, now in the museum of Berlin. He is the Uræus snake on the front of the royal crown; the son whom Menephtah loves, who draws towards him his father's heart; the royal scribe; the singer; the chief of the archers; the prince Menephtah."

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13, 14. A memorial — of a terrible crisis in the history of God's people, of a supernatural and mighty deliverance, and a symbol not to be mistaken of the spiritual redemption accomplished by the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

IV Illustrative

1. One act more remained of the sublime drama, by which these mighty revelations should be brought home to the hearts of all Israel. The Pharaoh, still obdurate, was to be humbled to the dust by a judgment so terrible that he would gladly resign the contest with Jehovah, and let the race whom so awful a power so championed, "go, altogether;" thankful to be rid of them, and even "thrusting them out" from the Nile valley. But thus to abase the Pharaoh was to degrade the national idolatry in his person, for he was, himself, the incarnation of the great sun-god Ra.

And now, as the first step towards an independent national organization under Jehovah, their invisible King; as the formal inauguration of His worship as the national God, and in recognition of their emancipation being due to Him alone, a sacrificial feast — the Passover — was instituted. But, first of all, the date from which their year began was changed; for it was fitting that the deliverance of the nation should open a new era. It was the time of the earing of the wheat — almost our April — and, henceforth, the month known from this as Abib — the "earring" — should be the first of the ecclesiastical year. Hitherto they had contented themselves with the Egyptian calendar, which began about the time of the summer solstice, when the Nile was rising, and harvest is over in Palestine. From this time, however, all connection with Egypt was to be broken off, and the commencement of the sacred year was to commemorate the time when Jehovah led them forth to liberty and independence (Geikie).

2. There is a legend that on the night of the Exodus a young Jewish maiden, the firstborn of the family, was so troubled on her sick-bed that she could not sleep. "Father," she said, "are you sure the blood is on the door-post?" He replied that he had ordered it done. But she was not satisfied till she was carried out to look for herself; when, lo! the blood was not there. Immediately it was placed there, and she was safe and at rest (Foster's Encyclopedia).

OLD AND NEW CONTRASTED

REV. GEORGE MATHESON, D. D.

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners." — PSALM 1: 1.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit." — MATT. 5: 3.

TWO voices speak here — the old covenant and the new. Two mountains are before us — Sinai and Hermon. Two psalmists are before us — the man of Israel and the universal Man. Two blessings are before us — the blessing which belonged to the Jew, and the blessing which belonged to the Christian. And in these blessings there is yet another contrast. The man on Mount Sinai says: "Blessed is he that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly;" the Divine Man says: "Blessed are the poor in spirit." I should have imagined the objects of blessing to have been reversed. Christ seems to take the humbler tone. The Psalmist of Israel says: "Blessed is the man who lives a perfect life." Jesus says: "Blessed is the man who feels he cannot live a perfect life." Why does Jesus require less than does the representative of David? The Old Testament insists on a man aiming at perfection; why should the

New be satisfied if one can say, "I am a poor creature?"

Because, my soul, that means for thee a higher altitude and a height more hard to gain. It is very easy in the moral world to think thyself at the top of the hill. It is only as thou climbest that the height of the hill appears. It is not the spiritually poor who are the poor in spirit. The spiritually poor are always those who think that they "walk not in the counsel of the ungodly." If thou hast lived all thy life in a village and hast never heard the waves of the human sea, thou art bound to be self-sufficient. Thy stream will be an ocean, thy rustic school an academy, thy rural influence an empire. So is it with the life of thy spirit. Not in thy childhood art thou humble, O my soul; it is contact with the man that makes thee humble. I think the humblest child that ever lived must have been that child taken up into the arms of Jesus; it saw its extreme opposite. That child would be poor in spirit ever after. It would be the least boastful of the ring of schoolboys, the least assertive of the family band. Even so, if thou wouldst be humble, must it be with thee. Thou must see Jesus, must be lifted into the arms of Jesus. Only in His arms shalt thou feel thine own nothingness; only in His presence shalt thou realize thy poverty. Wouldst thou be humble — climb! Wouldst thou be diffident — soar! Wouldst thou be modest — rise on the wing! Wouldst thou beat upon thy breast and say "unclean!" — get on the mount with Jesus! Wouldst thou sink in thine own opinion of thy greatness — watch His footsteps on the sea! Wouldst thou learn the meekness of the dove — in the baptismal waters let thy spirit alight on Him! — *Christian World.*

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fully made in other days, are brought again before us to renew the pleasing intimacy! Their very names — Rebecca, Rowena, Jeanie Deans, Hypatia, Nydia, Hester Prynne, Maggie Tulliver, Daisy Miller, Lily Dale, Becky Sharpe — bring up thrilling memories. As a study in the most fascinating department of fiction, sweeping through an entire century and more, these pages indicate, on the author's part, wonderfully complete knowledge, and will give to the reader a rare treat.

The Ruling Passion. Tales of Nature and Human Nature. By Henry Van Dyke, Author of "The Tolling of Fells," "The Builders," "Fisherman's Luck," "Little Rivers," etc. With eight illustrations in color by Walter Appleton Clark. Charles Scribner's Sons: New York. Price, \$1.50.

Dr. Van Dyke is perhaps without a peer as a literary artist among present-day American authors. He exhibits profound

but now Duke of Argyll — has well performed the work for which he had rare opportunities and qualifications. It is a noble volume, plentifully and appropriately illustrated, wherein the average reader will find all that he needs or cares to know concerning both the private and public life of the late Queen. He will get, at some places, a view behind the scenes, and a new insight into the secrets of statecraft. The stirring times of peace and war in this long, eventful reign are graphically depicted, and pass before the spectator with unflagging interest. Special pains is taken to depict the high character of the Prince Consort, and relieve his memory from misunderstanding as to the important part he took in affairs. The Queen herself comes out more and more admirably the better she is known.

Wild Life Near Home. By Prof. Dallas Lore Sharp. Century Co.: New York. Price, \$2.

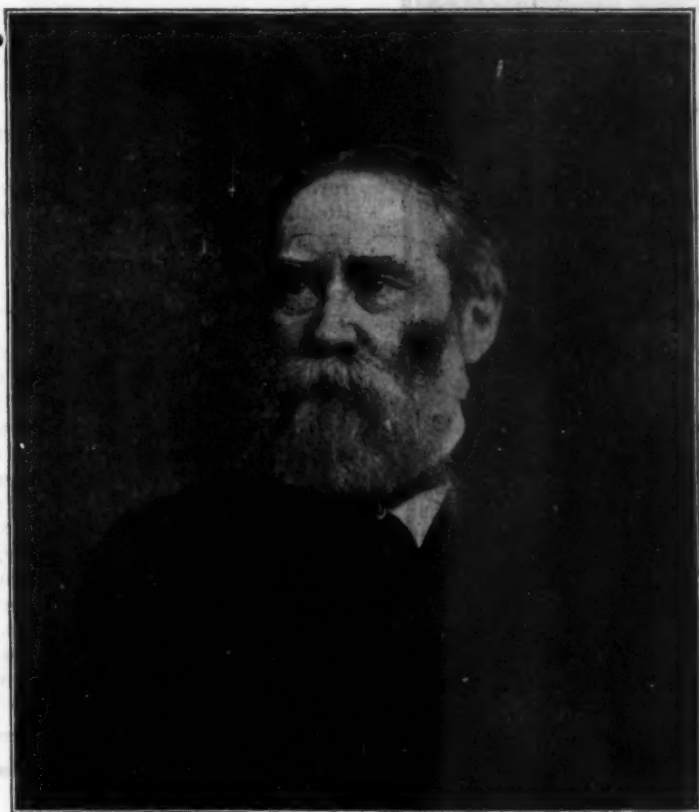
Many of our readers will not need to know more of this volume than to be informed that it contains the Nature Studies of Professor Sharp, a goodly number of which first appeared in the columns of the HERALD. The residue were first published in Lippincott's, Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, and the Youth's Companion. The publishers bring these sketches out in elegant shape. Bruce Horstall, who illustrates the beautiful volume, has, in a most successful and attractive way, caught the spirit and thought of the author. The artist, like the author, seems to have a genius for this sort of work. Many of the illustrations are printed in color, and we do not remember having seen anything finer. It is, in fact, one of the most charming gift-books of the year. The chapters include: "In Persimmon Time," "Birds' Winter Beds," "Some Snug Winter Beds," "A Bird of the Dark," "The Pine Tree Swift," "In the October Moon," "Feathered Neighbors," "Mus'rattin," "A Study in Bird Morals," "Rabbit Roads," "Bricktop," "Second Crops," "Wood-pussies," "From River-Ooze to Tree-Top," "A Buzzards' Banquet," "Up Herring Run."

Winsome Womanhood. By Margaret E. Sangster. Illustrated by studies from life by William B. Dyer. F. H. Revell Co.: Chicago and New York. Price, \$2.50 net.

We can hardly imagine a more charming and entirely suitable gift for a young woman at this holiday season, or for a wedding present at any time, than this luxurious edition of Mrs. Sangster's every-way admirable and intensely Christian counsels. We are not surprised to learn from the publishers that the first large issue is already exhausted, and a second one is in preparation. The border decorations are in the finest taste, the cover is a thing of rare beauty, and the many electrotypes add greatly. Of the high quality of the contents — thirty-two short chapters on extremely practical topics, such as "Her Wedding Day," "Motherhood," "Young People and the Church," "Leisure Days," the "Woman's Club," "Mistress and Maid" — it is surely superfluous to speak.

Among the Great Masters of Painting. Scenes in the Lives of Famous Painters. Thirty-two Reproductions of Famous Paintings, with text by Walter Rowlands. Dana, Estes & Co.: Boston. Price, in box, \$1.50.

This full title sufficiently describes the volume. Thirty-two painters, beginning with Phidias, and ending with Puvis de Chavannes, are described. The illustrations are of a high quality, and neither time nor expense has been spared in hunting down and securing the originals, and in faithfully reproducing them. It is not simply well-known paintings by the masters which are given, but important



JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL

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And all that can be said of the final months when he faced eternity is embodied in the closing sentence of the book: "Death found him cheerful, and he passed away in the middle of the bright summer." He did a good work for his country and the world. That he turned his back so completely on the church and all it stands for, must ever be a source of regret to many of his admirers, who cannot on this account regard him as they would like.

Heroines of Fiction. By William Dean Howells. Harper & Brothers: New York and London. Two Vols. in box. Price, \$3.75 net.

These are sumptuous productions of the printer's art, on thick calendered paper, with abundant illustrations. From Frances Burney's "Evelina," published in 1788, down through Maria Edgeworth, Jane Austen, Scott, Bulwer, Dickens, Hawthorne, Thackeray, Charlotte and Emily Brontë, Kingsley, Charles Reade, George Eliot, Anthony Trollope, Thomas Hardy, William Black, G. W. Cable and others, to Mrs. Humphry Ward, the facile pen of Mr. Howells wanders, giving copious extracts and clear, critical, discriminating judgments. What a host of delightful creations are here reviewed! How many charming women, whose acquaintance we have joy-

feeling, perfect sincerity, passion, and a masterful style. In the preface to this new book he says: "Now there is something to tell, with a meaning. If you tell it at length, it is a novel—a painting. If you tell it in brief, it is a short story—an etching. But the subject is always the same: the unseen, mysterious, ruling passion weaving the stuff of human nature into patterns wherein the soul is imaged and revealed." The titles of the chapters are: "A Lover of Music," "The Reward of Virtue," "A Brave Heart," "The Gentle Life," "A Friend of Justice," "The White Blot," "A Year of Nobility," "The Keeper of the Light." A scholarly critic thus justly sums up his review: "A volume so real, sincere, full of vitality, rich in elemental quality, firm in structure, and varied and captivating in style will find its place with the books that are not born with the season and do not die with it." This is one of the great books of the year. The artistic illustrations, in color, by W. Appleton Clark, are in perfect harmony with the text.

V. R. I. Queen Victoria, Her Life and Empire. By the Marquis of Lorne. Harper & Brothers: New York and London. Price, \$2.50.

The Queen's son-in-law — Lord Lorne when he married Princess Louise in 1871,

scenes in the lives of the painters themselves, such as "The Death of Leonardo," "The Sleep of Fra Angelico," "Tintoretto Painting his Dead Daughter," etc.

The Man from Glengarry. A Tale of the Ottawa. By Ralph Connor. F. H. Revell Co.: Chicago and New York. Price, \$1.50.

Rev. Charles W. Gordon, pastor in Winnipeg, author of "Black Rock" and "The Sky Pilot," half a million copies of which fascinating stories have been sold, will find a large audience ready to listen to whatever he has to say with his pen. The present volume, 60,000 copies of which were sold last month as soon as published, is very much larger than the others. We cannot call it better; that will not be the general verdict, we are quite sure. But it has some features of special excellence, and is every way a most worthy companion to the other two. His own father and mother, and his own boyhood days, furnish the inspiration for much of the writing. His mother was manifestly an extraordinary woman, and her character is drawn with extraordinary power. There is power in other scenes, too—love scenes, fighting scenes, wild adventure—that takes very strong hold of the reader. The lumbermen of the Ottawa and of British Columbia, the sturdy Scotchmen of Glengarry, with their deep religiousness and robust principle, are thoroughly alive on these pages. The hero, Ronald Macdonald, is clear grit, and the moral influence of the book is very high. The more of such the better, every way, for the world.

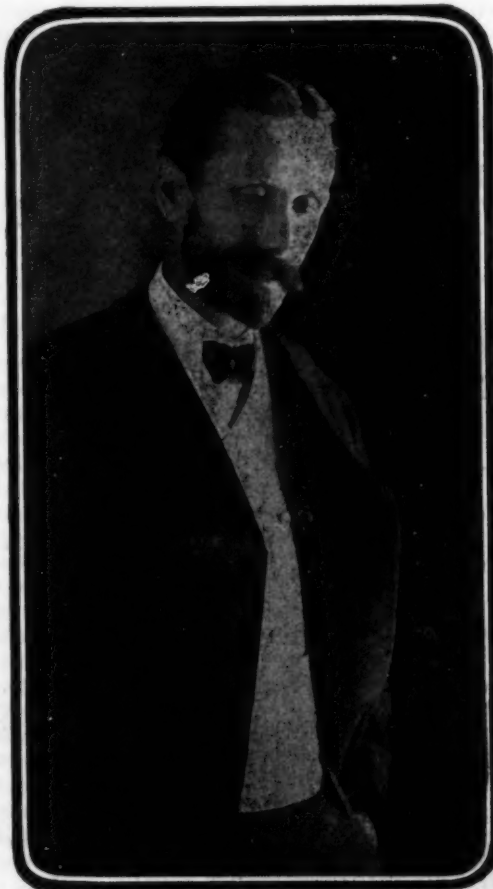
A Real Queen's Fairy Tales. By Carmen Sylva. Davis & Co.: Chicago. Price, \$1.50.

The gifted Elizabeth, of Roumania, most literary of Queens, who has poured forth, under her penname, "Carmen Sylva" (or Wood-song), such a succession of really excellent productions—novels, poems, dramas, tales—turnishes another treat for the children in her present volume of fairy tales, eleven in number, published simultaneously in some eight different countries. The author is certainly a wonderful woman, being not only an excellent writer, but a skilled painter and musician, as well as a marvelous nurse, a charming hostess, a brilliant conversationalist in many languages, and an indefatigable worker. She does her writing in the early morning, the best of all times, rising, even in the winter months, between four and five, although she is rarely in bed until after midnight. One day in each month is devoted in the public schools of Roumania to reading the Queen's books, and they have been translated into many tongues until her pen has far exceeded her sceptre in power, and her fame as a writer has surpassed her fame as a Queen.

Loiterings in Old Fields. Literary Sketches. By James H. Kenyon. Eaton & Mains: New York. Price, \$1.

Seven *Review* articles—on Tennyson, William Morris, Keats, George Eliot, Rossetti, Lowell, and Stevenson—make up this volume. The topics are important, the information is carefully gathered, and the style is excellent. If we found any fault it would be that the treatment is a little one-sided. The author gets so interested in his themes that he becomes their advocate, and is reluctant to see any faults. This is not the Bible way of biography, and not the best way, to our thinking. We believe

larger good would be done by a more judicial, impartial attitude. To say, for example, concerning Miss Evans' living with Mr. Lewes as his wife, although he had a wife living, that it "may, superficially perhaps, appear to be a violation of the sanctity of the marriage bond," does not strike us as being adequate to the occasion. And to say of Lowell: "His attitude toward the Author of the Christian faith was



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"Ralph Connor," the author of "Black Rock" and "The Sky Pilot," is Rev. Charles W. Gordon, pastor of St. Stephen Presbyterian Church in Winnipeg. At home in all the scenes which he has before described, the setting and the drama of "The Man from Glengarry" are peculiarly his own, for it was in the Highland settlement, Glengarry, in what was then known as the Indian Lands, that Mr. Gordon's father settled sixty years ago; here it was that in 1860 the son was born, and here he grew to manhood.

one of deepest reverence and unchanging love," is an assertion without the smallest particle of proof. The author gives none, and, it is safe to say, there is none. It is idle to speak of Lowell's "unchanging love" for Christ, when he never on any occasion spoke of it himself, and gave abundant proofs of its absence. It is not well to let hero-worship blind our eyes to the manifest faults of the heroes. Truth above all things.

A Year Book of Famous Lyrics. Selections from the British and American Poets, arranged for daily reading or memorizing. Edited by Frederick Lawrence Knowles. Dana Estes & Co.: Boston. Price, \$1.50.

Not 74, as the publishers state, but more than 174 different English and American poets are represented here by selections, and there are more than 500 poems in all. Shakespeare, Tennyson, Wordsworth, Burns, are drawn on for over twenty each. Then come Robert Herrick, Robert Browning, Byron, Landor, Shelley, Scott, Ben Johnson, Longfellow, Rossetti. Each day has a page. There are sixteen portraits, brief notes, and convenient indexes. When the fine taste and ripe judgment of Mr. Knowles, himself a poet of no mean order, is taken into account, the reader feels a well-grounded confidence that he has here

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Beasts of the Field and Fowls of the Air. By Wm. J. Long. Illustrated by Charles Copeland. Ginn & Co.: Boston. Price, in box, two vols., \$3.50.

The dedication is: "To the Teachers of America, who are striving to make nature study more vital and attractive by revealing a vast realm of nature outside the realm of science, and a world of ideas above and beyond the world of facts." He who takes up these books anywhere has the utmost difficulty in laying them down. Fascinating, bewitching, enchanting, intensely interesting, are the words that rise spontaneously to the lips in the endeavor to characterize them. We are let into the secrets of the woods and fields as we peruse these marvelous pages and follow Mr. Long in his many years of watching the wild things. The Fox, the Bear, the Moose, the Deer, the Squirrel, the Rabbit, the Otter, the Lynx, the Weasel, the Beaver, the Wood-mouse, the Eagle, the Partridge, the Duck, the Oriole, the Crow, the Owl, the Loon, the Quail, the Chickadee, the Kingfisher, the Woodpecker, have their daily life disclosed and their marvelous instincts revealed. The pictures are wonderfully lifelike. We greatly rejoice that such books are coming to be so numerous in these days. The more the better.

The Strength of the Hills. A Story of Modern American Life. By Florence Wilkinson. Harper & Bros.: New York and London.

Miss Wilkinson takes the Adirondack woods as the background for her clever story, with an *excursus* to New York city as a variation of scene. So long as she sticks to her lumbermen, her Adirondack villagers, and her summer campers, she gives us some very natural and delightful descriptive work, and the story charms with its sweetness, simplicity, delicate humor, and entire truthfulness to life. But the city episodes in Book II seem forced, melodramatic and unwholesome. There is a hectic flush over all that part of the story, an unrealness, a striving for effect, that betrays a certain amateurishness and une-

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venness of touch. Indeed, Book II, as a whole, is most disappointing, after the freshness and charm and entire naturalness of Book I. The overdrawn tragedy of the closing pages is barely relieved by the fine poetical touch with which the novel ends—the finding of the dream-trail by the noble-minded Enoch Holme, and his spiritual exaltation and strengthening on the mountain height. The novel is one of distinct promise in spite of its faults, and displays qualities that may eventually

us home, the author will be content." The publishers have brought out the volume in extremely tasteful shape, in a box, rendering it a very desirable Christmas gift.

Israel Putnam: Pioneer, Ranger, and Major-General, 1718-1790. By William Farrand Livingston. G. P. Putnam's Sons: New York. Price, \$1.35, net.

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adverse conditions under which he is living in the South, and inferentially showing that with the encouragement of his "white brother" he would advance much more rapidly. The story is healthful and stimulating, and is entitled to an extensive and careful reading.

The Chinese Boy and Girl. By Isaac Taylor Headland of Peking University. F. H. Revell Co.: Chicago and New York. Price, \$1.

This is a fitting companion to the "Chinese Mother Goose Rhymes" which Prof. Headland published last year. The hundred or more illustrations from photographs, especially selected by the Professor, are a large element in the attractiveness of the book. The topics treated include: "The Nursery and its Rhymes," "Children and Child Life," "Boys' Games," "Girls' Games," "Toys," "Shows," "Juggling," and "Stories Told to Children." A complimentary letter from Wu Ting Fang, Chinese Minister, says that his wife is very much pleased with the book. All will be who see it. It shows how the same sunlight falls upon the homes of both East and West, and how very similar the little folks there are to the little folks here. It will increase the kindly feeling between the races, and so do much good.

In the Days of Audubon. By Hezekiah Butterworth. D. Appleton & Co.: New York. Price, \$1.20.

There has been hitherto no American story of Audubon for young people's libraries of historical fiction. Mr. Butterworth has supplied this need with his well-known skill, weaving into the authentic narrative of the great "Protector of Birds" a multitude of illustrative anecdotes and incidents substantially true but touched by the fancy into more vivid life, and all forming a picture of old times in the pioneer West which is sure to interest youth. A leading object of the volume is to encourage the formation of societies for the protection of birds, and in an appendix directions are given for this and selections supplied for



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give its author high rank among American writers of fiction. Descriptive charm, pathos, a fine flavor of humor, and a most happy touch in character-drawing, are among its promising qualities. The amateurishness, unevenness, and lack of fine literary taste and artistic self-control will wear off with the discipline of time, and, as the writer's exuberance declines, we may hope for work of more even balance and more permanent literary value.

Lyrics of Love: Of Hearth and Home, Field and Garden. By Margaret E. Sangster. Fleming H. Revell Company: New York and Chicago. Price, \$1.25.

A warm welcome awaits this beautiful little volume of lyrics, for Mrs. Sangster's friends and admirers are legion the length and breadth of our land, and anything new from her pen is greedily appropriated. Some of the verses in this charming book have already been published in the *Congregationalist*, *Youth's Companion*, *Outlook*, *Independent*, *Christian Intelligencer*, *Lippincott's* and *Scribner's*, but many of them appear for the first time—"songs of the nest and the home, songs of the way and the inn, songs of love and fidelity, and the eternal peace." In her "Foreword" to the "Gentle Reader" Mrs. Sangster says: "If these lyrics shall add a thread of melody to the tolling, dusty, monotonous way, which, after all, is the way that leads

the rugged Revolutionary hero who gave such a good account of himself and did so well for his country on many an important occasion. It will be a large blessing to the youth of the day to gain that acquaintance which this elegant volume is splendidly adapted to supply, with one so deservedly distinguished for indomitable courage, ready resourcefulness, practical efficiency, sterling integrity, and warm-hearted companionableness, as "Old Wolf Putnam."

The Marrow of Tradition. By Charles W. Chesnut. Houghton, Mifflin & Co.: Boston and New York. Price, \$1.50.

We can commend this book to our readers both for the information it contains and for its literary qualities. It deals with one of the great problems of national life in a rational and interesting manner. The relationship between the old-time Southerners and the modern, progressive Negro is the main theme, which is most skillfully developed and illustrated. The lines drawn by the race question are clearly defined, and throughout the story the innate capability of the Negro, and the vicious prejudices of the white man against him, are persistently and vividly contrasted. While no plan for hastening the development of the colored race is proposed, the writer has rendered his "brother in black" a positive service by correctly describing the

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recitations about birds. The story of Victor Audubon, the son of the ornithologist, his father's faithful companion in the forests, is also interwoven. The book will be welcome to our Sunday-school libraries, and will be helpful to "Bands of Mercy" among children.

Caleb Wright. A Story of the West. By John Habberton. Lothrop Publishing Co.: Boston. Price, \$1.50.

This is a story of life in a far Western town, Claybanks, where every one is poor and out of touch with the world. The one rich man of the place, the country storekeeper, dies and leaves his property to his nephew, Philip Somerton, a clerk in New York. One condition is attached to the small fortune—that Philip shall support Caleb Wright, the faithful clerk of the store. He is the hero of the book, a gentle, tender, yet strong man, one thoroughly in love with his home and keenly alive to its possibilities. Through his influence and with Philip's small store of money, some of the natural resources of the place are developed. Caleb's love-making, with its mingled blunders and shrewdness, is characteristic of the man. The book contains little or no plot, but is thoroughly interesting as a faithful picture of back-country life, with its pathos and hardships brightened by the humor that is inevitable in such scenes.

The World Beautiful in Books. By Lillian Whiting. Little, Brown & Co.: Boston. Price, \$1 net.

The entire range of modern literature is here swept over, and a very full acquaintance with large libraries is distinctly shown. Considerable quotations are given from a vast multitude of authors; and judgments, on the whole discriminating and fairly sound, are freely ventured. Our chief criticism would be that more is attempted in this universal survey than can really be done well, and that there is a tendency to a larger use of the superlative than is warrantable. A large proportion of the 2,257 writers of fiction which Allibone chronicles as adorning the latter years of the nineteenth century, must be touched on in these pages, and an equal familiarity with the poets is shown. Henry James she calls the greatest living novelist, and says that Stephen Phillips "is the poet who has thrown open most widely the portals of the twentieth century. It is no longer a matter of discussion as to whether Mr. Phillips is the coming poet. He has arrived." We are glad to note that Miss Whiting is loyal to the Sacred Writings: "In this world of books one Book stands out with supreme claim." "There is one divine teacher, Jesus the Christ, and one Book of His direct teachings, the New Testament. In its pages are [sic] the completeness of guidance for all human life."

Select Notes. A Commentary on the International Lessons for 1902. By Rev. F. N. Peloubet and M. A. Peloubet. Illustrated, W. A. Wilde Company: Boston and Chicago. Price, \$1.25.

This is the twenty-seventh issue of this familiar Sunday-school annual. In no respect does it fall below the high standard of previous issues; in many respects it is superior to its predecessors. Opening the book at any page, selecting any lesson for a critical study, one is surprised at the amount and variety of valuable matter from the freshest as well as from the older and well-established authorities, which meets the eye. Nor is this served out in chunks, but rather in selected sentences, logically interwoven and condensed, so as to make the meaning clear at a glance. Not only is each lesson carefully analyzed, explained and illustrated, with special stress on the important points, but the connection is carefully attended to, the best authorities are cited for library reference, and each lesson is thus made to mark a

distinct step in the progress of the history as a whole. The teacher who overlooks this valuable manual in making up his equipment for next year's lessons will suffer serious loss.

Nature and Character at Granite Bay. By Daniel A. Goodsell. Eaton & Mains: New York. Price, \$1.50.

If all the friends, admirers, and well-wishers of the good Bishop should buy a copy of his book, the sale would be extremely large. Very many of them will certainly wish to do so. His summer home, in Connecticut, on the shores of Long Island Sound, with its beautiful surroundings and long-endured associations, is here skillfully portrayed. His neighbors, human and subhuman, have full justice done them, and the results of a keen observation are delightfully set forth. With its extremely wide margin, extra heavy paper, plentiful photographic illustrations, and beautiful cover, the book is a sumptuous one, and does great credit to our Publishing Agents.

The Snow Baby. A True Story with True Pictures. By Josephine Diebitsch Peary. Frederick A. Stokes Co.: New York. Price, \$1.20.

This book is unique among the holiday publications that are being issued, and will surely meet with a fine reception. It deals with realities, and tells of the strange life of a little girl born in the Arctic region. Reproductions from photographs exhibit her unusual surroundings in detail. Although the book does not specifically say so, it is understood that the little heroine is the daughter of Lieutenant Peary, the explorer. Aside from the human interest in the life of a baby born amid such surroundings, the book gives information about the natives and their customs not found in other publications.

Evangeline. A Tale of Acadie. By Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. In **Memoriam.** By Alfred Tennyson. Illustrated by John Eyre, R. B. A. E. P. Dutton & Co.: New York. Price, \$1 each.

Certainly one could not imagine a more worthy setting for Longfellow's "Evangeline" and Tennyson's "In Memoriam" than these exquisite little volumes from E. P. Dutton & Co. That they bear, also, the imprint of Ernest Nister, is quite sufficient to vouch for their superior artistic excellence. The illustrations are attractive and in true harmony with the text. The books are brought out in a style that will appeal to the heart of the lover of dainty bindings—clouded blue-gray covers, with artistic all-over designs in gold surrounding an ivory medallion portrait, and with white backs. Either volume would make a particularly acceptable Christmas gift.

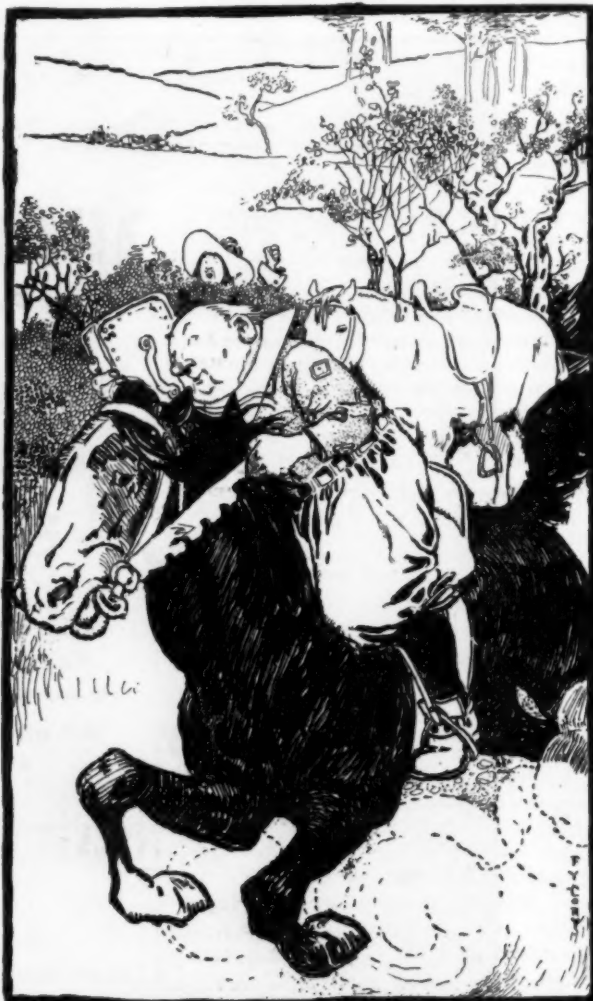
My Friend Jim: A Story of Real Boys and for Them. By Martha James. Illustrated by Frank T. Merrill. Lee & Shepard: Boston. Price, \$1.

This is a good book to place in the hands of bright, active boys. The loyal friendship springing up between Jim, the son of a mechanic, and a wealthy man's son who is at Sunnyside farm for his health, has been made the basis for some clean, bright, and helpful descriptions of boy life. Kindness

to animals, manliness, and honor are taught in the truest way.

Buttercup Farm. E. P. Dutton & Co.: New York. Price, \$1.50.

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Providence District

Providence Deaconess Home. — On Oct. 30 the Deaconess Board tendered a reception to the new superintendent, Mrs. Hambley, at the Home, 85 Harrison St. After supper, at which eighteen members of the board were present, a brief business session was held. Following that came a very delightful evening. The president, Mr. H. A. Fifield, in a very pleasant speech of welcome to Mrs. Hambley, expressed the highest hopes of the board for the success of the work under her superintendency. Mrs. Hambley responded in fitting terms, and strengthened the conviction that she would be successful in her consecrated work. Other members of the board made brief and cheering remarks. All the deaconesses are very hopeful at the outlook for the year's work. Opportunities are increasing for the presentation of deaconess work in out-of-town churches, and both pastors and people are lending their hearty sympathy and material aid. Recently the Epworth League of First Church, Pawtucket, according to annual custom, went to the Home in a barge loaded with merry young folks and contributions of many Thanksgiving "pounds," including canned fruits and jellies. This League considers this as a part of their annual work, and it does not at all interfere with its local charities or Thanksgiving "dinners." Other Leagues are doing the same, and finding it very profitable. It is a great encouragement to the deaconesses, who hope that a large number will aid in the same way, but especially come to the Home whether with or without "pounds." General reception and donation day was Nov. 25, set apart by the board of managers to meet Mrs. Hambley, but visitors in any number are always welcome.

Miss Baker and Miss Eckley are still with the Home force and are invaluable.

Woonsocket. — Late advices from the revival work here show that about thirty accessions have been made. A notable conversion occurred in that of an actor from New York, who happened in to the meetings. He immediately changed his occupation. Rev. L. B. Coddling is pastor.

Cochesett. — This place has had a "windfall" in a present of \$1,000 from a well-wisher of the church. A lady of the congregation is the trustee, and is now in conference with Dr. Bass, presiding elder, as to the best things to be done. Rev. Wm. B. Heath, the esteemed pastor, is serving his sixth year here.

Pawtucket, Thomson Church. — A recent "rummage sale" netted the society \$124. Since the reopening services the congregations have materially increased, and at the last sacramental service there were more communicants than at any other this Conference year; 8 were received by letter. Nov. 14, the pastor, Rev. William Kirkby, delivered a lecture on "Autumn Leaves," collected during his late vacation in the White Mountains. It was given under the auspices of the Epworth League Literary department.

Providence Preachers' Meeting. — Nov. 4, a sermon of striking interest was preached by Rev. J. H. Newland, of Central Falls. Nov. 11, Rev. J. N. Patterson, of Brockton, read a strong paper on the scientific and theological drift of the times, pointing out certain things which, he claimed, would ever remain unshaken. He urged with ability that among the unshaken things would be miracles; for the supernatural, he said, was so interwoven in the life of the historic Christ that it would be impossible to eliminate it and leave a Christ behind worthy of acceptance. On Nov. 18, "Two Needs of the Present Day Church" was presented in an interesting paper by Rev. W. S. Harper, of Wakefield. Mr. Harper applied to the Conference last spring for recognition as in elder's

orders from the Presbyterian Church. He desires to unite with the Conference, it is understood.

KARL.

Asbury Church, Providence. — The work of this church is going on with increasing vigor. Since the vacation season the spiritual interest has been growing. At the communion service in October several were received on probation. The week-day meetings are well attended, and the audiences on Sunday are larger than in years. The Sunday-school is growing under the efficient leadership of Mr. George E. Baker, the superintendent. The teachers are enthusiastic and devoted to their work. The harvest concert last month was a grand success, and the large auditorium was filled to hear the little ones speak and sing. Much credit was due the superintendent for the beautiful decorations, and the committees for their efficient work. A Junior League has been organized with 25 members, and many more are ready to join. Miss Geraldine Connell is the superintendent. Sunday, Nov. 17, in their devotional meeting fifteen expressed a desire to become Christians, and knelt with the pastor in prayer. Nov. 10 was observed as Temperance Sunday and a temperance mass meeting was held. The pastor sent out a number of invitations to the largest W. C. T. Unions of the city, and some outside the city, and though the day was beautiful, and some four hundred white ribbons knew of the meeting, yet less than twenty-five were in attendance. Miss Olney, State secretary, came from Woodville, and out of a Union of sixteen members brought fourteen with her. All hail to this temperance worker! This Union is the only efficient one anywhere near us. Is the W. C. T. U. a thing of the past? Mrs. Mary A. Babcock, of Phenix, State president W. C. T. U., gave an address on "Social Parity," which the large audience enjoyed. At 2:30 p. m., Rev. Robert Clark, of Indiana, spoke on "Personal Responsibility." He is the State prohibition evangelist. At 7:30, Rev. A. B. Cristy spoke on the "Majesty of Law." These addresses were exceptionally fine. A series of evangelistic meetings have been in progress for three weeks

with good results. Sinners have been saved, church members awakened, and still the work is going on.
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Brockton and Vicinity

Brockton, Central Church.—Things are moving finely here on all lines. Rev. J. S. Wadsworth has a firm grasp on all the interests of the church, and is deservedly popular. This pastor and people are to be congratulated on having not only the most commodious and convenient church in the city, but also in the Conference. At the last sacramental service in the old church 4 were received by letter and 3 on probation, and at the first sacramental service in the new church, Sunday, Nov. 3, 5 were received by letter and 7 from probation. At the evening service one young man sought and found Christ. Much interest is manifested in the Sunday-school, Junior and Epworth Leagues—in fact, in all departments of church work. The pastor is working hard, but he has the backing of faithful men and women.

Campello.—The work here is progressing under the leadership of Rev. H. B. Cady. Presiding Elder Bass recently held the third quarterly conference, and expressed himself as well pleased with the financial and spiritual condition of this church.

Franklin.—On Sunday, Nov. 3, the pastor, Rev. J. N. Patterson, received 1 by letter, 3 from probation, and baptized 1. The Epworth League recently held a "pound party," and the proceeds were donated to one of our superannuated ministers. Let other Leagues do likewise, and thus make some other worthy person feel that a "preacher without a church" is not destitute of friends. The Junior League are enjoying their new blackboard which they have earned for themselves.

Bridgewater.—Nov. 3, 3 united with the church—2 by letter, and 1 from probation. Rev. O. W. Scott is making his home here for the present. His health is greatly improved, so much so that he would be glad to supply neighboring pulpits as opportunity may offer.

East Bridgewater.—The elect ladies of this church have recently held their annual "harvest supper," and as a result \$50 has been added to the church treasury. Rally Sunday was observed. The pastor, Rev. J. Pearce, gave an address on his recent trip to England, and his observation of Sunday-school work in that country. On Sunday, Nov. 3, the pastor baptized a man over 60 years of age, and received 1 by letter.

South Braintree.—Six persons have recently united with this church by letter. Rev. R. E. Schuh is pastor.

Whitman.—Rev. H. W. Brown is pastor here. He is a hard worker. Revival meetings are being held. The congregations are large, the Sunday-school growing, and the Epworth League doing good work.

Holbrook.—The outlook here is encouraging. The church has not been in as good a spiritual condition for years. Some have recently expressed a desire to lead Christian lives. Rev. J. S. Thomas is working faithfully, and the salvation of God is looked for.

MAINE CONFERENCE

Augusta District

Livermore and Hartford.—Rev. F. H. Hall is the pastor of this country charge. He and his wife have greatly endeared themselves to this people in the short time they have been here. The work is hard and the travel is much, but everything is prospering under his leadership. There are four classes on the charge, four or five miles apart, but Mr. and Mrs. Hall get to three of them on an average each week, besides attending two prayer-meetings each week. He has made two hundred pastoral calls in six months, and the work shows for itself his faithfulness. The people are kind and appreciative. Mr. Hall was feeling the need of rest and recuperation, and at a recent quarterly conference it was unanimously voted to give him three weeks' respite from all labor and care, the officials taking upon themselves the responsibility for service the Sabbaths he would be away. The charge was behind a few dollars on his claim, and the good people made it up at once; and this makes all paid up to date. Seven adults and 3 children baptized, 2 received on probation, and 2 in full connection: collec-

tions taken for Freedmen's Aid, Conference Claimants, Church Aid, Children's Fund; a new chimney built in the church and two torn down; and current expenses paid to date—these are some of the good things reported, with harmony among the membership and religious interest growing.

Wayne and North Leeds.—Rev. W. T. Chapman is the pastor and faithful preacher. His labors are abundant, and his reward is in evidence of his devotion to the cause of Christ. With him is Mrs. Chapman, who is doing a splendid work for and with the children. It was an inspiring sight to witness—as we recently did—ten children, whose ages ranged from ten to sixteen, stand up for Christ in a public gathering. No better or grander work is done than interesting the children in religious ways. There are signs of a religious movement all along the line. Mr. Chapman is a busy man on his charge. Every family feels his presence, for he is as good a pastor as he is an excellent preacher, visiting and holding meetings—class and prayer—on different parts of his charge. One has recently been baptized, more are expected to be soon, and several will come in on probation. At this point church chimneys have been torn down and new ones built, with the addition of a new furnace. So the work goes on for soul and body. May it continue to spread from charge to charge!

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Portland District

South Berwick.—Four new families have recently come to the church. This is encouraging when the drift is so much the other way. The primary department of the Sabbath-school is flourishing. The pastor's youngest son, a student of Harvard University, is at home quite seriously ill. Every possible means known to physicians is being used for his recovery.

Berwick.—The pastor, Rev. B. C. Wentworth, is engaged with the pastors of Berwick and Somersworth in a systematic visitation of the two towns. They go out by twos. Good results are already seen in attendance at church services. Union meetings have also been inaugurated, two churches combining each evening. The Home department of the Sunday-school has increased to a membership of fifty, and is daily growing. The new financial plan of free pews and weekly offerings works well. The pastor's claim and other bills are kept paid up to date. This quarter 4 have been received on probation and 2 by letter. The pastor's daughter is a student at Ohio Wesleyan University. It is well for our pastors to set a good example by sending their children to our high-grade Methodist colleges. None in the land give a better education.

Eliot.—The Epworth League chapter celebrated its eleventh birthday by a gathering to which the young people of the near-by towns were invited. Revs. Geo. C. Andrews, of Kittery, J. R. Wilson, of York, and H. D. Deetz, of Amesbury, Mass., helped in the exercises. Officers were installed and refreshments served. A singing-school with fifty-five members is conducted by a teacher from Portsmouth. Pearl Chapter is keeping up its reputation for zeal and enterprise. The spiritual condition is encouraging.

Ministerial Association.—The winter session was held on Nov. 13, at Old Orchard, and was appropriately greeted by a snow-storm. There were eighteen preachers present. Dinner was served by the ladies of the church. The program was not very closely followed, but an interesting and profitable session was held. Rev. Luther Freeman read an excellent paper on the "Unity of Methodism," emphasizing the advantages of our organization and the duty of the preachers to carry out the disciplinary order of work. Rev. D. F. Faulkner read a brief review of Mr. F. C. S. Schiller's article, "Do Men Wish to be Immortal?" Rev. J. A. Puffer presented a carefully written essay on the "Divinity of Christ," presenting and discussing the various views. Rev. W. S. Bovard read a paper on, "The Risen Christ;" and Rev. E. O. Thayer gave brief abstracts of leading addresses of the Ecumenical Conference. Then followed an earnest discussion on evangelists and revivals, and a season of

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Kennebunk.—The parsonage debt is paid, and all the people rejoice. Souls are being saved at nearly every meeting.

Portland, Congress St.—A week of prayer for young men was recently observed. The storm affected the attendance, but much additional interest was aroused in the salvation of the young men of the city.

Portland, West End.—The pastor, Rev. F. R. Griffiths, reports much that is encouraging. A Home department of twenty members and a Cradle-rol of ten members have recently been organized. There is also a Boys' Club with fifteen members, which is doing a good work in keeping the boys off the streets and furnishing them with some wholesome amusement and instruction. Recently 8 persons have been received into full membership in the church and 2 on probation. The church building has been painted and repaired and fitted with electric lights. Most of the labor has been performed by the pastor and members of the church.

The **Washington Ave.** church is also prospering. There is a Junior League of 34 members and Sunday-school with about one hundred, and both steadily increasing. The rapid increase of population in that section of Portland gives encouragement for the future of our work there. The pastor and his wife are much beloved by the people.

South Portland, Elm St.—Rev. J. H. Roberts has been concentrating his energies for five weeks upon evangelistic services. He has been assisted by two ladies, the Misses Avery and Hoy. The number of converts is not large, but

the church has been quickened and an interest awakened among the children that will result in good for the church. The meetings are continued, with the help of neighboring preachers. Rev. Frank Smith's health is so improved that he has preached frequently for sick or absent brethren, and he hopes to be able to take some light work next year.

W. H. M. S.—The annual meeting of the Portland District Woman's Home Missionary Society was held at Saco on Thursday, Nov. 21. There was a good attendance and an interesting program. The Saco ladies provided dinner. The New York annual meeting was reported by Mrs. E. O. Thayer and Mrs. Luther Freeman. The Portland deaconesses—Miss Santee and Mrs. Clark—added much to the interest of the meeting by their talks. Mrs. R. F. Douglass, of Auburn, Mass., gave the evening address. The church quartet furnished excellent music. The convention is considered one of the most profitable ever held on the district.

Personal.—Dr. E. S. J. McAllister, pastor of Pine Street, feeling it to be his duty to help reform the city government of Portland, is conducting a vigorous campaign as candidate for mayor, on the Citizens' ticket. His name is quite prominent in the editorial columns of the party organs, indicating that his positive statements as to corruption have attracted attention.

E. O. T.

Lewiston District

The Ministerial Association was held at Lisbon Falls, Oct. 28-30. About twenty ministers were present. The hospitality was generous. Excellent sermons were preached by Revs. C. A. Brooks and R. A. Rich. Dr. E. O. Thayer gave a very fine address on his visit to London and the Ecumenical Conference. Carefully-prepared papers were read by Revs. D. E. Miller, D. B. Holt, F. K. Beem, B. F. Fickett, and A. Hamilton. Rev. Wm. Wood read the article in a recent issue of the *Methodist Review* on "The Intellect: Its Function in Religion." The discussions were earnest and kindly; the themes were practical and up-to-date.

North Auburn and Turner.—Rev. F. Grovenor is not in the best of health, but he is working hard, and the people are delighted to have him with them. He served this charge in its palmy days. Cottage-meetings are being held, and there is an excellent interest. Services will probably not be held at Turner during the winter. The Sunday-school at North Auburn is in a prosperous condition. The parsonage is unoccupied.

Mechanic Falls and Minot.—At the former place a good congregation came out to a service on a Thursday evening. The church received two coats of paint, and was paid for with a legacy that a Christian woman left. It was very timely. The church property is now in excellent condition. The Sunday-school has an average of 55. The Epworth League and Junior League are doing well. Both help in the finances. Collections for the poor are taken at the communion service. We wish this custom could become uniform. The finances are in good condition, and the spiritual interest is good.

At Minot the congregations are increasing, and a Wednesday evening meeting is sustained. Recently 3 have joined on probation and 1 in full. The Sunday-school has numbered as high as 40. W. W. Dennen, Esq., is superintendent.

Conway, N. H.—Rev. T. P. Baker made a full and hopeful report at the recent quarterly conference. Business has been good, and there is prospect of enlargement. The converts are

being looked after, and the work is energetically pushed on all lines. A new street has been laid out and graded, and the parsonage is now on a corner lot; five rooms have been papered; new lace curtains have been furnished. A new carpet has been put in the church. Two hundred or more are connected with the three Sunday-schools. The Home department is well sustained. There is a very flourishing Junior League at the Centre. Arrangements are made for special services at the Centre. The finances are in excellent condition.

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Fryeburg and Stowe.—It was a pleasant surprise to see such a large congregation out to a service on Monday evening. The people are scattered, and the salary is not large, but Rev. E. F. Doughty is laboring cheerfully, and is popular with all classes. He is now supplying at Sweden a part of the day on alternate Sundays. The flock at Stowe has been reduced by removals. Through the generosity of one of the members of the church, and her own energy, Mrs. Doughty is taking lessons on the piano. She drives to the village six or seven miles away. "Where there is a will there is a way."

Lewiston, Hammond St.—The State Sunday-school convention was held in Lewiston recently. It was largely attended, every county in the State being represented. It was pronounced about the best that has ever been held. Later the National Grangers were here for their convention. The city was finely decorated, and an enthusiastic welcome was extended to its guests. The church has been having some accessions; the congregations are keeping up nicely, and the Sunday-school is doing well. The pastor's son, Adelbert Holmes, has a good position as teacher in the Brunswick high school, and the daughter Mabel is a student at Bates College.

Bath, Wesley Church.—On Rally Sunday 175 were present in the Sunday-school; for the last four Sundays the average has been 154; a kindergarten class has been formed. One has been recently received on probation. The last quarter the pastor made 235 calls; and no one accuses him of neglecting to make suitable preparation for the pulpit. Seven churches in the city held simultaneous meetings for a week, the pastors preaching for two Sabbaths from the same text, and during the week having the same theme for prayer and sermon, or conversation. Wesley Church is continuing the services with good interest. Rev. D. B. Holt has been having numerous calls for extra services. He is willing to respond to them up to the full measure of his strength; and that means not a little.

Bath, Beacon Street.—The extensive repairs are proceeding successfully. The re-opening will not occur for some weeks yet. Then particulars will be given. Congregations are large, and the social meetings large and enthusiastic. Rev. W. P. Merrill and his people are full of courage, and this promises to be the best year, so far, of the present pastorate. New voices are heard speaking the praise of the Master. A. S. L.

VERMONT CONFERENCE

St. Johnsbury District

St. Johnsbury.—The scheme for all-day services and "decision day," Nov. 17, proved eminently successful. All the services planned were held and a good attendance secured. At the close of the late evening service it was found that sixty-six had during the day signed the decision cards, which were in substance a pledge thenceforth to follow Jesus and find fellowship with His people. A good per cent. of these were from the ranks of the Sunday-school and from the Junior League. Nearly all have since been seen by the pastor, and will make good their promises of that day. Others are coming, and the work is far more promising than often under the protracted labors of an outside evangelist. Cards are just out in this church for all the leading benevolences, and will be sure of bringing in generous responses.

It would be hard to find a church in New England doing more per member.

Plainfield has realized an advance, 12 having been baptized. A good feeling prevails. The Sabbath-school, under the veteran superintendent, H. Q. Perry, the oldest in New England in point of service, continues to prosper. Provisions are being made for a Christmas concert by the school, and all who are familiar with the past of this church are well assured that this will be a certain success. No one would more positively guarantee such success than the present scholarly and painstaking pastor, Rev. F. T. Clark.

Craftsbury has nearly completed its church repairs, inside and out—shingles, paint, fresco, new carpets and new pews, with other incidentals. Nearly \$1,200 will be used in this work, and all but about \$200 is already secured. A delay in forwarding the pews will close the main audience-room until early in February unless the old pews are set back for a time. The large vestry now accommodates the congregation, but is often overcrowded. The pastor's wife is stronger, and her family are hopeful of her full recovery soon.

Albany and South Albany have both built outside brick chimneys for their churches, thus replacing those of galvanized iron which were put in a few years ago. **Derby** has done the same, and all agree that the latter described chimney is no economy and poor satisfaction. Pastor Austin and wife were absent from Albany last week at the marriage of their only son, George, with Miss Edith F. Clifford, of Essex Junction. The young people will be found at home after Dec. 11, at Amesbury, Mass. Your correspondent congratulates them and wishes them *bon voyage*. By the way, if any one desires first-class reading in the way of a discussion of the saloon and

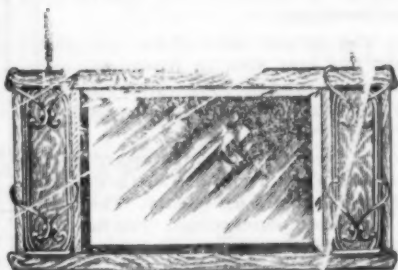


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its relation to anarchy—reading which has sharp prod in it—he may safely consult the paper by Rev. A. G. Austin read at the Derby Preachers' Meeting, Oct. 30. This, with other first-class papers, puts that meeting at the head of all Vermont Preachers' Meetings in the last twenty-five years—at least of those under the writer's observation.

Barre.—In this same line mention might be made of the meeting on the south end of the district, Nov. 12 and 13. The productions at this meeting were also of a high order; one contributed from off the district by Rev. C. O. Judkins, of Montpelier, was clearly at the front, incisive, aggressive, virile and iconoclastic. The Barre meeting was cornered by the hastening blems, while Derby had just glorious Indian Summer. The brethren present at either, or both, will have life-long reward for their effort. Never was a more fraternal and helpful spirit manifested among the preachers, and the Spirit Divine was consciously in the midst.

In General.—The work on the territory is in good condition. If we can keep out of epidemic grippe, which has so felled us in several of the past seasons, the next two months may see larger results than years before.

All the more aggressive pastors are well on in the work of raising benevolences, and the results this year should exceed anything before reached. The times and conditions favor. No year in the last decade has been so favorable for raising money, and all business life feels the stronger pulse, church life as well.

Drs. Mills and McDowell put in eight days, from Nov. 15 to 23, in the interests of the Thank Offering Fund and Christian education in Vermont. They did yeoman's service, and while present results are not large, the heaven has been introduced and the result is not dubious. Four of the appointments were on St. Johnsbury District, and Principal Davenport accompanied Dr. Mills throughout. He made a capital running mate, and some partial Vermonters declared that his performances were as interesting and telling as those of the chief horse.

Rev. J. A. Sherburne, of Barre, has been having quite a round of funeral services among his old townsmen and early associates. During the first half of November—possibly one service in October—he officiated at five funerals in four towns, the average age of the deceased being eighty years. The youngest was 70, and the oldest, Mrs. Bill, of Topsham, 88. He writes that the kindly remembrances of his brethren and friends on the occasion of his 80th birthday have quite mastered him, filling his heart with gratitude and his eyes with tears. J. O. S.

St. Albans District

Enosburg Falls.—The Methodist Episcopal and Free Baptist Churches of Enosburg Falls united in special evangelistic services for two weeks in November. Rev. Ralph Gillam, of Boston, Mass., served as evangelist. Rev. L. Olin Sherburne writes: "He was well received by both churches. We found his leadership wise and his labors successful. He is a tireless worker, preaches the truth as he understands it, and is thoroughly unpartisan in all his workings."

Montpelier District

Pittsfield and Stockbridge.—Our church at Pittsfield entertained the fall meeting of the White River Valley Sunday-school Association. A helpful time is reported. The pastor has been assisted in special services for two weeks by Rev. S. P. Fairbanks. The Christians were helped, and the pastor trusts some others were reached and caused to think seriously on these things. Two were recently received into full membership in the church at Stockbridge.

Brattleboro.—On Nov. 3, Pastor Lowe baptized 3 persons, received 6 on probation, received 4 into full membership from probation, and 6 by letter.

Woodstock.—Pastor Partridge is held in high esteem in this community both by the people of our church and by others. One has recently been received on probation and others are expected soon.

Quechee.—Our deaconess, Miss Knapp, has been laid aside from work for a little, but before this reaches the eyes of the readers we trust she will be fully recovered and about her work. Miss Martin, who had been recuperating in this

place, is so far recovered as to be able to take most of the work dropped by Miss Knapp.

South Royalton.—The pastor of this people, Rev. J. D. Beeman, has been laid aside from all work for several weeks, but is now on the gain and hopes soon to be able to occupy his pulpit again. During a part of this time the pulpit has been supplied by his brethren in the ministry.

Northfield and Gouldsville.—Pastor Sharp writes that work continues to prosper here. The church in Gouldsville has been painted, and an enthusiastic Epworth League organized. At Northfield 100 new Hymnals have been donated by an elect lady, and two quartered oak collection plates have been provided by another. There seems to be a generous rivalry here to show love for the church by substantial gifts. Let the good work go on, and let it be contagious! The pastor writes that the new parsonage is nearing completion and will be the finest in the Conference. This can easily be believed by those who have seen the plans and know the scale on which these people do things.

Lewiston and Hanover.—Revival services have been held here by the pastor, Rev. Fred Daniels, assisted by Rev. S. P. Fairbanks. As a result, 15 were received on probation, and others are to follow.

Montpelier.—On a recent Sunday Pastor Judkins received 10 persons on probation. Plans are on foot, and ought to succeed, for wiping out the debt of about \$1,000 which has remained unreported for some time on this society. There is a largely increased attendance at the social means of grace, accounted for by the new plan adopted by the pastor. Mrs. Judkins' Browning class meets once in two weeks, and has a larger attendance than last year and a growing interest among the community at large.

Personal.—Dr. E. M. Mills has been spending several days on the district, speaking at Brattleboro, Springfield, and at Montpelier Seminary in the interests of the Twentieth Century Commission, and in particular trying to create some enthusiasm for the Seminary. The particular results of his visit have not been reported, but he ought to succeed.

W. M. N.

EAST MAINE CONFERENCE

Bangor District

Bangor, First Church.—On Sunday, Nov. 3, the pastor, Rev. R. E. Smith, received 14 by letter, 3 from probation, and 9 on probation, and baptized 6. Since the beginning of the present pastorate, in May last, 58 have been received on probation, and 4 from probation. The kindergarten of the Sunday-school has been provided a larger room and new furnishings. For the social service 180 copies of Pentecostal Hymns 1 and 2 have been purchased. Both the Junior and Epworth Leagues have been strengthened by the addition of new members. Oct. 20 was appropriately observed as Rally Day in the Sunday-school. A course of six lectures has been arranged by the pastor—Rev. R. E. Smith, Rev. Luther Freeman, Miss Amanda Wilson, Prof. C. D. Woods, Sheriff Pearson, and Rev. H. L. Williams being the speakers. Nov. 3, in the evening, Grace Church joined Pine St. in a memorial service for Dr. G. D. Lindsay. A telephone has recently been put in the parsonage.

Alton.—The largest snow-storm the oldest inhabitant has ever seen in November interfered with appointments here, and we found Pastor Prince in good courage and well helped with good friends.

Carmel and Levant.—A steady upward growth is plainly visible at all points of this great territory. All finances are up to date. The pastor has seen two sound conversions. The family is burdened by the serious breakdown of their son, A. W. Price, Esq. While the trouble is of a very serious nature, there is at present a little improvement; and of course even a little improvement gives cheer and encouragement.

Howland and Montague.—A new tower and new bell have been added to the church in Montague. One annual payment has been made on the parsonage, and all finances are well up to date. Recently 6 have been received on probation and 2 in full connection.

Brownville.—Extra services have been held for four weeks, with excellent results. A new furnace and electric lights have been put in the

church. Good congregations greet the pastor, and the finances are well up to date.

Harmony and Athens.—Two weeks of evangelistic services were held here by the pastor, assisted by neighboring pastors, with excellent results. A little flurry of snow amounting to about thirty inches interfered for a time. A most excellent revival spirit prevails at Brighton, a goodly number already having expressed a desire to lead the Christian life.

Atkinson and Sebec.—We faced on Sunday, Nov. 24, a large congregation of farmers and their families—excellent listeners. A committee was appointed to raise funds to liquidate the debt on the parsonage. At Sebec a few faithful ones are holding on, but business is in such a condition that support is exceedingly difficult.

Exhortation.—Will the brethren suffer a word of exhortation? We are rapidly entering the last half of the Conference year. How much remains to be done—the unsaved to be awakened, the convicted to be brought into the light, lagging finances to be brought to the front, benevolences to be secured and nothing short of full apportionments satisfactory, subscriptions to be taken for ZION'S HERALD at once, written reports from all the officers of the church for the fourth quarterly conference, great patience, forbearance, and holy zeal—who is sufficient for these things? It may be none of us will be able to do all, but constant fellowship with God by the Holy Spirit will enable all of us to do some of them, with Divine approval.

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Washington.—The work is not at a standstill. Services at South Liberty have been discontinued. There is abundant opportunity for busy labor full of good promise. The need is steady,

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"At last my eyesight began to fail. Some of the best optical specialists agreed that I had an affliction of the optic nerve, and after two or three years' treatment my eyes slowly lost their power and I became almost sightless.

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purposeful, determined effort in the name of the Lord. The church membership is small, but the people are large-hearted and appreciative, and Rev. E. D. Lane, by his earnest, kindly, faithful endeavors, shall yet see the "desert rejoice" and this little patch blossom as a garden of the Lord.

Waldoboro and Winslow's Mills. — Rev. J. A. Weed keeps a faithful watch and hand upon every interest. By pastoral visitation he is in continual touch with his people. More than five hundred calls is the pastoral record for the first half of the Conference year. This is a prime element in keeping any church alive; and Waldoboro feels its beneficial effects. The Epworth League is alive. Sunday-schools are hopefully advancing. A small church debt is disappearing. Church benevolences are being well cared for, and earnest endeavors are in exercise for spiritual growth. This society has suffered in the death of one of its faithful, life-long members, Mr. John Richards, who passed from labor to reward in the early fall. The second quarterly conference was held at Winslow's Mills, where an earnest, aggressive, courageous little company of Christians built a beautiful chapel a few years ago under the irrepressible leadership and contagious enthusiasm of Rev. D. B. Phelan. Now the little society, with its churchly rites and Christian character, exerts a splendid influence upon the whole community.

Round Pond and Bristol Mills. — Our stranger brother and brotherly stranger from England, the Barbadoes, New Brunswick, and the rest of the world, our Wesleyan local preacher, missionary, etc., is making a fine impression upon this charge and upon all the brethren who have met him. He is a most busy pastor. "Three or four times over the charge" is reported of him. "A man of affairs," it is said; "a student," "a fine preacher," "genial as sunshine." We must not say more. We trust our brother is not easily puffed up. Congregations are large and full of interest. The future promises well. Rev. T. W. Hunter is the pastor.

Pemaquid and New Harbor. — Here we held the fall session of the Ministerial Association. A goodly attendance, an excellent program, largely-attended meetings, most helpful services, grand preaching by Rev. L. L. Hanscom, of Rockland, and our Chrysostom Boanerges, Rev. E. E. Gahan, of East Boothbay, splendid entertainment, a delightful time in the midst of the most curious, quaint, historic surroundings of the New World. Why is not more said of Pemaquid and Popham? And Pemaquid was the Jamestown of Maine. Are not its "streets" in evidence? Does not Fort William, with its walls and bastions and angles, tell of the ancient past? Rev. A. J. Lockhart presses on the interests of Zion upon this charge with faithful and influential zeal.

Bremen, West Waldoboro and Dutch Neck. — All the strength of any pastor must be called into exercise to attend to the common demands of a charge so large and spread-out as this. Brother Paul keeps continually busy, and is held in high regard by all the people. The parsonage has been insured recently in the Church Insurance Company. The children are being well cared for. Mrs. Shivel's sickness has checked the pastor's efforts somewhat, but with her restored health he will "catch-up." Dutch Neck prospers; West Waldoboro is largely encouraged; Broad Cove and Medomak need brightening.

Belfast. — Church repairs are nearly completed. Pastor Edgett, reasonably proud of the work done, and the society carry on their countenance a broad smile of pleasure. They have good cause. The reopening will be very soon, so more anon.

Unity and Troy. — We were permitted to call upon our superannuated brother, Rev. David Smith, and enjoy a genial, interesting hour. Mr. Smith is 70 years old, sick, unable to work, but cheered by a Christian's faith, made glad by God's indwelling love, rejoicing in the sight of things invisible, sustained by the anchoring hope. He gave us an interesting reminiscence: When a young man he "bled at the lungs" while at school. In the fifties he took his first pastorate at Troy under Rev. Charles B. Dunn, the presiding elder. While here he failed in health and was reported "dying" at one time. Later Mr. Dunn sent notice of his death to ZION'S HERALD, in which the same was printed, with an assurance to all the people that "further notice" was forthcoming. "So," said

Bro. Smith with an amused and grim smile, "I had the privilege of reading my own obituary and have lived nearly fifty years after it appeared." Rev. W. A. Luce continues in labors abundant and is continually encouraged by tokens of good. Four have been received on probation, one has been received in full from probation, and one by letter. The new work at Thorndike is growing and full of promise. The parsonage has been insured in the Church Insurance Company.

Clinton and Benton. — The reports on this charge have an old-time ring. Good interest prevails, and hopeful conversions have occurred. Benton is manifesting marked interest. Revival is breaking out all over the charge. Pastoral labor is well attended to. Financial interests are in good condition. The old parsonage has been sold, and will be moved from its present place and thus make opportunity to enlarge and beautify the present parsonage surroundings. There are four Sunday-schools on the charge. The whole church is alive. Rev. A. H. Hanscom is doing fine work and God is blessing his labors.

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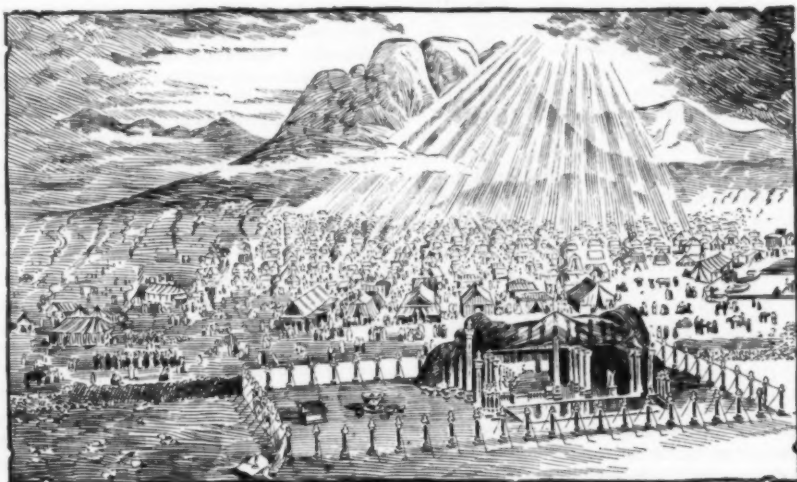
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And drove the dead leaves slanting from the tree —

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher saith —
Heaping them up before her father's door,
When I saw her whom I shall see no more —
We cannot bribe thee, Death!

She went abroad the falling leaves among,
She saw the merry season fade, and sung —
Vanity of vanities, the Preacher saith;
Freely she wandered in the leafless wood,
And said that all was fresh and fair and good,
She knew thee not, O Death!

She bound her shining hair across her brow,
She went into the garden fading now;
Vanity of vanities, the Preacher saith;
And if one sighed to think that it was sere,
She smiled to think that it would bloom next year!
She feared thee not, O Death!

Blooming she came back to the cheerful room
With all the fairer flowers yet in bloom,
Vanity of vanities, the Preacher saith.
A fragrant knot for each of us she tied,
And placed the fairest at her father's side —
She cannot charm thee, Death!

Her pleasant smile spread sunshine upon all;
We heard her sweet, clear laughter in the hall —
Vanity of vanities, the Preacher saith —
We heard her sometimes after evening prayer,
As she went singing softly up the stair —
No voice can charm thee, Death!

Where is the pleasant smile, the laughter kind,
That made sweet music of the winter wind?
Vanity of vanities, the Preacher saith.
Idly they gaze upon her empty place,
Her kiss hath faded from her father's face —
She is with thee, O Death!

— Boston Transcript.

Read.—Micah Read died in Worcester, Mass., Nov. 15, 1901, in the 66th year of his age.

He was born in New London, Conn., and was converted there and joined the church in 1858. He came to Worcester in 1882, and joined Trinity Church by letter the same year, continuing in its membership until his death. When a young man he was much interested in Sunday-school work, being for several years librarian in the church in New London, and in the temperance cause as a Good Templar.

Mr. Read was a soldier in the Civil War, serving in the ranks for three years. While in this service his health was so broken that later in life he became an invalid, and for twelve years before his death he was too feeble to do little more than remain a "shut in." During all these years his patience and cheerfulness were unbroken. His wife, Mrs. Jane E. Read, during the past nineteen years has done the work of an evangelist, and many are the preachers who have been helped by her faithful and earnest labor. But according to the testimony of the wife, when the accounts are made up in heaven, Mr. Read will have to be credited with a good share of the work accomplished through her. His interest, his encouragement, and his sympathy did much to cheer on the wife in her successful revival efforts.

Besides the widow, one son survives him, an only daughter passing into the eternal life before him. The son is now living in Omaha.

The funeral services were held at the home of Mr. Read in Worcester, Nov. 18, the services being conducted by his pastor. Interment was at New London, Conn., the service at the grave being conducted by Rev. W. S. McIntire, pastor of the Methodist Church and a friend of the family.

GEORGE W. KING.

Hatch.—Abigail Marriner Hatch, widow of Rev. Alvra Hatch, of the Maine Conference, died, Nov. 16, 1901, in Saco, Me., aged 83 years, 1 month, and 14 days.

The subject of this memoir was converted to Christ when a mere girl, and joined the Metho-

dist Episcopal Church. She was united in marriage with Mr. Hatch, Aug. 7, 1844; and as the companion of an itinerant minister for more than forty years, she proved herself equal to the peculiar difficulties and responsibilities of that relation.

Mrs. Hatch was an earnest, zealous Christian woman, and happy when engaged in the Master's work. She had the confidence and respect of all who knew her. The fruits of the Spirit were clearly seen in her life. Her quiet, gentle spirit and tender consideration of others made her an excellent companion. Her piety was intelligent, her hospitality generous. She was beautiful in person and genial in address. This good and lovable woman lived long and well. We think of her now as having heard the Master's "well done."

Three faithful daughters and one grandson, with a host of friends, will miss her in the march of life. But they are comforted in the belief that Father Hatch was watching at the beautiful gate for mother's coming.

Rev. S. F. Strout, of Biddeford, assisted by the writer, conducted appropriate funeral services at the home, and all that was mortal of Mother Hatch was laid beside the remains of her husband in the beautiful cemetery in Saco. Blessings upon the mourning children!

J. T. CROSBY.

Richards.—Mrs. Margaret Sibley Richards, widow of Dr. Lemuel Richards, died in Kennebunk, Me., Nov. 13, 1901, at her residence, at the advanced age of 90 years and 3 months.

Mrs. Richards was born in Bristol, Me., Aug. 12, 1811, and married Lemuel Richards, M. D., Nov. 6, 1835. For several years they lived in Bowdoinham, where they had a large circle of friends. In 1859 Dr. and Mrs. Richards moved to Kennebunk, where she shared the toils and conflicts of her husband until his decease in 1887.

She was brought up in the Congregational Church, but after marriage became identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church, with which she was for many years actively associated as a member and worker, taking great interest in all that pertained to its prosperity. At the death of her husband she again returned to the church of her youth, but though separated from the Methodist people, her sympathy and interest for them were always pronounced. Until her death ZION'S HERALD was a constant visitor to her home. It is said that she was a subscriber for the HERALD for a period of sixty-seven years.

Mrs. Richards was a pleasant personality. Even at her advanced age she was still fair and beautiful, always bright, taking keen interest in passing events. Towards the evening and sunset of her long life the mind was somewhat overshadowed, until at last the silver cord was loosed and she was liberated from the incarceration of the body, and rests in peace awaiting the glorious resurrection, the joyous anticipation of the devoted and faithful Christian.

She leaves, to mourn their loss, four daughters—Miss A. Helen Richards, Mrs. A. E. Haley, Miss Hannah A. Richards, and Mrs. G. A. Watkins. Rev. A. C. Fulton, Congregational pastor, and Rev. G. F. Millward conducted the funeral obsequies. G. F. M.

Pitman.—Eunice W. Pitman, who for more than seventy years was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Bristol, R. I., returned to heaven, Oct. 1, 1901, having spent 97 years, 2 months, and 19 days in receiving and doing good.

The religious awakening came to her at 16. She yielded to the sweetness and light of Christ's love, and became a most faithful and devoted follower of her Lord. She joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in Bristol in 1820, and always in her after life exemplified the spirit of the Master, whose she was and whom she served with unquestioning and undoubting loyalty. With mental faculties all intact until almost the last, she recounted her experience in the Christian life, rejoicing especially in the constant companionship of the Lord. The work of righteousness in her life was peace indeed, and the effect of righteousness was quietness and assurance forever. In this blessed assurance she worked in all departments. At one time she established a Sabbath-school on the frontier; later returning East, she became assistant superintendent in the home school. Her relation and helpfulness to the Woman's Home Missionary Society was such as to lead to a

series of resolutions of appreciation by the Society.

Highly favored among women was "Auntie" Pitman, as she was familiarly known. Not only in her rich and blessed Christian experience, but also in having for years a kindred and gentle spirit in the person of her devoted niece, Mrs. Mary E. Gorham, to minister to all her necessities. The many years of this saint of God were crowned with goodness. The precious promise was fulfilled, for "at eventide it was light," and she was accorded an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of her Lord.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE

Department of Spiritual Work

REV. J. M. FROST
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The results of the Week of Prayer held by the Leagues last year were of such a nature as to lead the Cabinet at its recent session in Springfield, Mass., to appoint the second week in December as a special week for prayer and revival effort throughout the First General Conference District.

It was decided to arrange and recommend the use of a series of topics which would pertain distinctly to League work, and should cover the strategic points in an aggressive winter's campaign. The following is suggested:

Sunday, Dec. 8—Sermon on "The Relation of Young People to the Future of the Church."

Monday, Dec. 9—"What I Owe to Myself."

Tuesday, Dec. 10—"What I Owe to the League."

Wednesday, Dec. 11—"What can I Do for Outsiders?"

Thursday, Dec. 12—"What does the Church Signify to Me?"

Friday, Dec. 13—"Helps and Hindrances to Christian Living."

A good commencement is absolutely necessary. In most Leagues everything will depend upon the pastor; but president and first vice-president can lend valuable assistance in tendering the pastor their personal support in the execution of the plan. An invitation from the League to the pastor is always in order. Other engagements for that week can be built into the plan so as not to defeat it entirely. Better make adjustments and secure a partial observance than omit it and pass it by.

Nothing about the week's program is obligatory or inflexible. The opening sermon is not a necessity. The sermon topic is capable of having a wide range of subjects read into it. The outlined topics may be improved upon. Three days' work will be better than none. Another week even might suit some. But, let us unite in prayer; let us be preparing for concerted action in larger ways later on. The coming church is keeping step with the century; its problems will demand federated action among

all Christian bodies. We are drilling for conquest. Every opportunity will gladly be seized for better training and equipment. The Leaguer and the soldier have common points of consecration. A good commencement is inspired by the greatness of the campaign in view.

On Monday, Dec. 8, be introspective. Say not, "I am a child." Above all, say not, "I am a child of sin." But say that by your choices and selection you are a child of God. Read into yourself the content of an heir of God. Clothe yourself with the commission of an officer of heaven's government. Try to realize the possibilities of faith and heirship and service and reward. Mark out something distinct today, to be and to do. Choose your type, conform to it; God will complete the transformation.

On Tuesday, call the roll of the League membership, active and associate. Call the roll slowly. Recall the lapsed membership. Frame a list of those who ought to be members. Mark the absentees. Mentally and reflectively take the possible personnel of the League into your heart and mind, and perhaps before the meeting closes you will start out after somebody; and the week will not pass before every neglected and forgotten and delinquent one will be approached and solicited and perhaps won. It is so true that in the larger work many oversights occur. "And as thy servant was busy here and there, he was gone."

On Wednesday, reach out still farther. Throw out the base lines. Fetch down the spare leaves of your extension table. Send out invitations to those who have hardly heard of the League. Do more scouting and skirmishing. Better have a small squad in the barracks praying, and several contingents outside campaigning, than spend all the time in preparation. Do for outsiders today. Do as you would be done by. Do as the Master would. Do the best possible. Do it quickly. Only DO. "Whatsoever He saith unto thee, do it."

On Thursday, stop and take a spiritual photograph of your church. Get a composite picture of the churches in your community. Find out what they signify to the Lord Jesus Christ as spiritual forces, and to the morality and education and safety and prosperity and edification of all about you. And if everybody used the church exactly as you do, financially, prayerfully, actively, what would the church become? Without the church the world would become what we shall individually if we ignore it, or are indifferent to it. To Jesus, the church is His Bride. "Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for it." The church in Egypt, in the Wilderness, exiled in Babylon, or during the Dark Ages, was alike to Him, His Bride. Is the church the centre of my thought, affections and activities?

By Friday you will be ready, we hope, as never before, to live the real Christ life. You will want to let go whatever hinders your purpose, and you will desire to attach yourself to all which promises you assistance. Some one will open up to you today the mighty forces of our times warring against righteousness, and also the omnipotence making for salvation. A surgical operation will probably go on within you from which you will come out more free than ever to push and climb and dare.

We urge our Leaguers affectionately to go through the exercises of this week. Be loyal to a week of this sort. Make it a retreat; make it a mission; make it a revival; let opportunity's spirit work inventively within you to use such an occasion for the welfare of the League.

Some eyes will sparkle as they read the program; to some minds will come the vision of victory; hearts will devise ways and means that God will prosper; and some Leaguers will gather in a rich harvest.

No League can exist without at least one alert soul ready to take advantage of every favoring gale. These words are for such ones; most likely chief among them being the first vice-president, the president, and the pastor, to whom we leave the best execution possible of the plan for the Week of Prayer, December 8 to 14, 1901.

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